State of Connecticut
Department of Agriculture
Milk Regulation Board

12 Apr 12

Minutes of the 11 Apr 12 Regular Meeting

Meeting called to order 10:31

In attendance: Commissioner Steven Reviczky, Mae Schmidle, Jack Tiffany, Peter Orr, James Stearns, Lucy Nolan

Absent: Gregory Peracchio, Neil Marcus, Michael Young, Tracey Weeks (DPH)

Others present: Wayne Kasacek (CT DAG), Paul Miller

Agenda item 3: No correspondence

Agenda item 4: Mae Schmidle moved to approve 24 Jan 12 minutes, 2nd Jack Tiffany, minutes approved unanimously

Agenda item 5: Commissioner Reviczky discussed the GMO bill in the legislature and the department's role if it were adopted.

Commissioner Reviczky gave the board an update on the current status of the Farm Bill

Commissioner Reviczky gave the board an update on the current status of the Dairy Sustainability program. Uconn provided the department with COP data based on updated ERS information. The department and Uconn are working towards a CT COP based on actual COP data from CTdairy farms.

Agenda item 6: no old business

Agenda item 7: no new business

Agenda item 8: Peter Orr spoke about the current situation with nitrogen fertilizer. With the early spring there is a shortage of nitrogen fertilizers and the costs have gone up significantly.

Mae Schmidle moved to adjourn, 2nd James Stearns, meeting adjourned 11:21

Respectfully submitted,

Wayne Kasacek approved 10 OCT 12

Wayne Kasacek
Clerk of the Board