

MAYOR'S MAG-ARP

MEETING MINUTES

11/8/2018

Attendees:

Maurice Keene	Belinda Gerry	Kathy Shaw
Michael Chammings	Jason Levesque	Alfredia Fournier
Leroy Walker	Peter Moore	Chris Carson
Bill Sylvester	Brian Carrier	

Old Business:

Peter formalized the memo from previous meeting with some changes and notes that were discussed in last meeting. He also added a table on the back for committee members to make notes.

New Business:

A motion was made to accept the definition of Farm and Farmer as seen below:

A farmer^[1] (also called an agriculturer) is a person engaged in agriculture, raising living organisms for food or raw materials. The term usually applies to people who do some combination of raising field crops, orchards, vineyards, poultry, or other livestock. A farmer might own the farmed land or might work as a laborer on land owned by others, but in advanced economies, a farmer is usually a farm owner, while employees of the farm are known as farm workers, or farmhands. However, in the not so distant past, a farmer was a person who promotes or improves the growth of (a plant, crop, etc.) by labor and attention, land or crops or raises animals (as livestock or fish).

Farm, Livestock (,at least 2 cattle or other animals being raised for commercial purposes) means any parcel of land that contains at least the following land area used for the keeping of horses, mules, donkeys, cattle, goats, sheep, swine and similar sized animals for the agricultural use of the residents of the lot, provided that there is a minimum of 1 acre of land as required by

Chapter 8 Animals, and adequate land area is provided for each animal unit, excluding water bodies of one-quarter acre surface area or larger, with standards as follows:

- (1) Cattle: One bovine animal unit per acre of cleared hay-pasture land.
- (2) Horse: 1.5 animal units per acre of cleared hay/pasture land.
- (3) Sheep: Three animal units per acre of cleared hay/pasture land.
- (4) Swine: Two animal units per acre of cleared land.
- (5) poultry: a minimum of 10 fowl

Other livestock farms: The required lot size shall be determined by municipal officer charged with enforcement and shall conform to the lot size for similar sized animals.

Motion by Peter Moore to recommend these definitions becomes the official definitions in ordinance. 2nd by Alfreda Fournier.

Motion to take the notes we have with consensuses with conformity with Federal and State guidelines for farming for city staff and lawyers to rewrite for our review at next meeting. All in Favor

Motion to Adjourn by Kathy Shaw, 2nd by Alfreda Fournier

Next meeting 11/29/2018