

**Wytheville Farmers' Market
Board Meeting
November, 7, 2015**

Present: Rath Anderson, Steve Hermansen, Emily Davis, Suzie Richert, Jim Henderson, Alethea Neal, Julia Stephens, Jen Otey.

Old Business:

New board members:

The list of nominees has been selected to put on the ballot
At the general member meeting.

Budget committee:

Steve suggests we have a promotional budget, such as get people
Off the interstate. Also, he suggested we put some of the money
From the farm to table dinner aside in a CD or such for some
Cause. New board make a detailed proposal for how to use the \
Profit.

New site:

Vendors will have first come, first served status on the existing
Tables. Any need for additional tables to be provided by the
Vendors. Building to be painted and new lights installed by the
Christmas market. Parade work days December 2nd and 3rd.

Parade Float:

Theme to be old fashioned Christmas. We have the cow, pea pod,
And carrot costumes. We can discuss it at the general member
Meeting. Steve to provide the trailer.

Financial Report:

WFM \$6015.13
RC&D ? Amount questioned due to significantly down from
Previous month.

New Business:

Agenda for general meeting:

New board voting.
New rules.
New vendor fees.
Set next board meeting.

Online market information...Leanne Barley on board.
Set list of committees, and have sign up sheet.

Vendor liason:

Alethea mentioned a need for more communication with Vendors so that they have a representative. Mention was made That we have more nominees for the board, and we can use those Not elected to serve that purpose. We need to encourage vendors To be more involved. Part of the process is to facilitate making Their needs and concerns heard. At next board meeting, have a Discussion about designating a board member for this purpose.

Other Business:

Jen reported that some vendors had expressed concern about the Sale of raw milk at the market. There were several points made to Take into consideration. Some vendors/customers were of the Wrong opinion that milk was being sold at the market. when actually it is only delivered to herd share members. Anyone who gets milk pays for a herd share. Never- Theless, it was enough of a concern for Jen to bring it up. After Lengthy discussion it was decided to delay any decision about Possibly denying the exchange at the market until, at least, the next Meeting. All agreed this is a hot topic and controversial, and must Be handled delicately. Rath expressed concern that denying one could affect others such as those that promote CSA's or sell whole or sides of beef. Suzie mentioned that it is partly an issue of edu- Cation. Jim stated that as a vendor, he would vote in favor of Allowing the transfer of raw milk at the market. Jen said that Joell Cautioned that the market might be at some risk by having raw Milk at the market. All involved in the decision on this topic are Encouraged to do due diligence and research the issue of raw Versus pasteurized milk.

Adjourned.