



## FARMERS MARKET ADVISORY BOARD

### Regular Meeting

Monday, October 17, 2022

9:00 AM

Committee Room, Governmental Center

400 Boardman Avenue

Traverse City, Michigan 49684



1. Call To Order
2. Roll Call
3. New Business
  - A. Officer election
  - B. Discussion of market rules
    - a. CBD
    - b. Market manager arrival
    - c. Weights
    - d. Displayed prices
  - C. Wednesday evening discussion
  - D. Parking lot improvements
  - E. Committee discussion/site visits
4. Public Comment
5. Adjournment

# Memorandum

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To: Farmers Market Advisory Board  
From: Art Bukowski  
Date: Oct. 13, 2022  
Subject: Various:

## **Officer Elections:**

Advisory board rules state that we need a Chairperson, Vice-Chairperson and Secretary. I cannot find information in our files as to who, if anyone, is currently filling those roles. I suggest that since there are several new members, and unless anyone opposes, that we accept nominations and have an election at the Oct. 17 meeting.

## **Discussion of Market Rules:**

Kyle (SEEDS Market Manager) and myself will lead a discussion to gather thoughts about proposed rule changes to the market. Our plan is to gather input and then have proposed changes ready to vote on at our January meeting.

The first involves figuring out what we want to do with CDB, which we currently allow but don't have any "quotas" for – as we do with a variety of other products. The second involves specifying the time in which the market manager arrives in the morning, the third involves requiring weights for tents and the fourth involves requiring that all products be marked with a price, something that our food assistance programs are paying more attention to in recent years.

## **Wednesday Market:**

Kyle and myself will lead a discussion about the pros and cons of moving the market to Wednesday evening instead of morning. The big catch is an evening market would have to be at a different location.

## **Parking Lot Improvements:**

The farmers market lot will be repaved next year. While we aren't entirely sure how much change we can request, we want to gather thoughts from the board about how we might improve the market experience.

**Committee Discussion:**

We need people to lead committees. Let's discuss! One of those involves visiting farms to ensure market rules are being followed.