

Portland Farmers' Market Association
Membership Meeting 2020
February 1st, 2PM
Burton Fischer Room
One City Center

1. Call to Order: 2:01 pm
2. Prospective Members present
 - a. We are only accepting new members into Wednesday and Winter at this time
 - i. Emily's Oysters: <1 acre, in Freeport of shoreline of Winslow Park, sustainable farming goals, Offers Oyster Farm Share- would like to join PFM to be able to have a physical location to have customers pick up. Will vend on coolers and ice. Interested in being able to shuck at market, but prefers to sell in the shell, sells a kit for shucking and teaches.
 - ii. Fuzzy Udder Creamery: small sheep and goat dairy, in Whitefield, buy in cow's milk, makes 15 different cheeses, hide, fiber, meats, only creamery that make cheese from 3 different milks, 8000 pounds last year, will make 10,000lbs this year. In the past year, 50/50 produced and bought in. Milk this year will be more than 50% bought in.
 - iii. Gracie's Garden: 2012 licensed, 5 farmers markets, make 25 varieties, grows dill and cucumbers, has not always had success growing, focuses on making the kraut. Does the Bath and Brunswick markets. Wed and would like to add winter
 - iv. Hancock Family Farm, organic veggies and flowers, beef(not on application), other FM, 10 acre organic veg,
 - v. Waggin' Tail Farm: Pittsfield, mohair, 21 goats, 6 alpaca, felted soaps, soaps, hand dyed fibers, wool and blended fibers from their farm, hand crafts, yarns, Pittsfield Market, looking for additional markets, Meadery started this year, also have meat :goat, (17)pig(wholes or halves), rabbit. Would like to amend their application with Meadery company name. Wednesdays and winter market
 - vi. Frontier Maple: Organic maple syrup, Jackman, lease trees on state land, attend some coastal markets, pack in glass(more high end), bourbon barrel aged, chaga infused, blueberry syrup, granola, maple glazed nuts, some smoked maple syrup, looking for Wednesday only.
3. Prospective Members depart
4. Membership votes on New Members
 - a. Motion to accept all applicants, Jayce ; Austin Second
 - b. Vote taken:

The results of today's new member votes are as follows:

- i. Emily's Oysters 100% both Wednesday and Winter: YES

- ii. Frontier Maple 82% Wednesday and 93% Winter: YES
- iii. Fuzzy Udder 42% Wednesday and 65% Winter :NO
- iv. Gracie's Garden 95% both Wednesday and Winter: YES
- v. Hancock Family Farm 32% Wednesday. NO
- vi. Waggin' Tail Farm 100% both Wednesday and Winter , YES

For Saturday if there is room:

- vii. Bumbleroot 53% Vendor as of 2016
- viii. Fairwinds 82% Vendor as of 2016
- ix. Lost & Found 82% Vendor as of 2018

5. Discussion about Saturday and space constraints

- a. There isn't as much room as thought- Olde Sheep Meadows will be back and Kennebec Flower will be coming for a longer season, with a different mix of products
- b. There is a possibility to dovetail Blueberry Hill with Maple Spring to fill a spot, and empty a spot on Jenny Lane. Members felt any filling of available spots should be by seniority and from vendors already in the market.
 - i. Evaluating space for Sat Market Space Committee: Austin, Dominic, Jan, Lauren, Cindy
 - ii. There are three farms: Bumble Root(2015), Fairwinds(2016), Lost and Found(2018) that would like to be in Sat. Do we want to vote on this today?
 - 1. Jon Motioned to vote, Doug Second. It doesn't guarantee a space, but an 'in case space opens up" vote. Each farm spoke about their operations and products. IF space doesn't become available, the vote will reoccur next year. Names added to the voting tabulation
 - 2. Bumbleroot, no
 - 3. Fairwinds, yes (first)
 - 4. Lost and Found yes (second)

6. Rule Change about Dues increase from 2018

- a. Review of language changes around dues that was proposed in 2018. We increased it, and it has been paid for two years, but need to codify it with a vote.
- b. New fee schedule is to remove the New Application Fee(\$30), Dues: \$100, Permit fee \$100(goes to city), \$50 per location. Clarify that all fees are DUE at January Meeting.
- c. Motion to change as above: Jan, Second Nicolas. No naysayers, vote passed.

7. Reports from Committees

- a. Rules about Winter Market- Mary Ellen
 - i. Rules committee still needs to meet. Some members are interested in more diversity in products.

- ii. Fall membership meeting might be a good idea
 - iii. Proposal coming for next meeting
- 8. Pride Festival Proposal
 - a. Saturday June 20th, 1-6pm, on Park Avenue as usual, but there are changes to the parking situation on Park avenue, market would be losing 6-8 parking spots at 11 am so the food trucks can get in to park in that space.
 - b. Vote to accept the city proposal: motion: Beth, Meg second. None opposed, motion passes
 - c. The market appreciates the city making a proposal instead of just telling us.
 - d. David asked about trying to sort out more parking for the day- bus shuttles?more communication with the city over this issue
- 9. New Business
- 10. Next Meeting is Saturday, March 7 at 2pm (Buy-In Meeting)
 - a. Submit buy ins in additional to what your application have

Motion to adjourn- Carolyn 3:47pm Second Heather

Rule change:

Current language:

3. Fees.

A. Fees are as follows: i. New Application Fee \$30 ii. Permit Fee \$100 iii. An additional fee of \$50 per market location

B. All fees to be paid to Membership Co-ordinator checks made out to PFMA

Proposed/Practicing change:

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B. All fees to be paid to Membership Co-ordinator checks made out to PFMA and **are due at January Annual meeting.**

Dear Farmers Market,

Thank you for the opportunity to speak with you today. The Pride Parade and Festival this year is being held on Saturday, June 20th from 1-6 pm in Deering Oaks Park. Last year the City installed a ballustered bicycle lane on Park Avenue, which has made it challenging for us to park food trucks along Park Avenue as in years past. For 2019, the City allowed us to park the food trucks inside the park, however, they have asked that we seek another solution for 2020, due to safety concerns. The City's suggestion was to use Kings Court.

We understand the Farmers' Market utilizes King Court for customer parking. We would like to see if we can share the last 6 to 8 spots from 11-1 pm. In the morning hours, Farmers' Market customers would still have full access to these spaces. We would provide a volunteer to ensure that the community members parking there are those visiting the Farmers' Market, and not intending to park there all day.

Last year, the Pride Festival brought an estimated 14,000 community members to Deering Oaks Park. We feel it is important to provide food for these individuals, which can only be done via local food trucks. We also love the opportunity we are able to provide for these local food trucks, many of whom have told us this is the most profitable day of the year for them. We understand that less customer parking is a hindrance to the Farmers' Market, but we hope that the thousands of Pride participants will increase your patronage, most notably from our family area (just over the bridge from the market).

We would also like to offer you a tabling space in our vendor area during the Pride Festival to promote the Farmers' Markets. We are excited to discuss this further so that we can support the community together.

Thank you,

Rebecca Tanous
Pride Portland! Festival Chair
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PFMA Attendance 11/2020 New Member Meeting

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Nicolas Lindholm	Blue Hill Berry Co.	nicolas@bluehillberry.com
① Geoff Hancock	Hancock Family Farm	same EAT@HANCOCKFAMILY.COM
① Olivia Barber	Fuzzy Udder Creamery	fuzzyudder@gmail.com
① Carrie Braman	Frontier Sugarworks	frontiermaple@gmail.com
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Caroline Sprae	Smu Family Farm	Same
Jeff Fisher	Bumblefoot Organic Farm	
Caitlin Siden	Alewines Brook Farm	Same
Jan Gronson	Gronson Farm	Same
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