

PFMA MEETING
(New membership meeting)
February 5, 2022 via Zoom
6:00 pm

Meeting hosted by Caitlin Jordan, Chairperson of PFMA

Members in attendance:

Alewives Brook Farm - Caitlin Jordan
Balfour Farm - Doug & Heather Donahue
Cornerstone Farm - Hanne Tierny
Dandelion Spring Farm - Beth Schiller
Emily's Oysters - Emily Selinger
Fairwinds Farm - Cathy Karonis
Fruit of the Forest - Alex Booth
Goranson Farm - Jan Goranson, Carl Johanson
Good Shepherd Farm - Jessica Koubek
Green Spark Farm - Austin Chadd
Lost & Found Farm - Lauren Bruns
Meadow Ridge Perennial Farm - Cindy Creps
Middle Intervale Farm - Lucy & John Carter
Olde Haven Farm - Kelby & Pamela Young
Snell Family Farm - Ramona & Carolyn Snell
Waggin' Tail Farm - Carrie Mancini

Applicants in attendance:

Bluet Maine Wild Blueberry Sparkling Wine - Michael Terrien & Ed Lutjens
Canopy Farms LLC - Kate Holcomb
Dogpatch Farm - Susan Frank
Emily's Oysters - Emily Selinger
Fruit of the Forest Mushroom Farm - Alex Booth
Fruition Farmhouse LLC - Emma Sherr & Joshua McDuffie
Fuzzy Udder Creamery LLC - Olivia Barber
Maggie's Farm at Mulberry Creek - Glenn, Gail & Maggie
Olde Haven Farm - Kelby & Pamela Young

Phil's Farm - Phil Cuddebak
Tiny Acres Farm - Erin Donahue & David Andrews
Two Hands Farm - Jessica Serko
Woodhaus Farm - Torie & August DeLisle

Applicant Presentations

Each applicant presented themselves and told about their business, why they would like to get into the PFM, and what their contributions to the market would be. They were presented in alphabetical order by farm name.

Bluet: Wild Maine Blueberry Wine. Applied for Saturday Market. Currently sells at local stores and the Scarborough Farmers' Market. Wants to increase their exposure to consumers by selling at Farmers' Markets. Would consider the winter market if it was offered

Canopy Farms: Year Round aquaponics farm. Applied for Wednesday and Saturday Market for October & November and Winter Market. 3000 square foot greenhouse. 600 Rainbow trout and some Tilapia. Also some value added products. New business...looking to expand to markets. Has room to grow.

Dogpatch Farm: Pork, poultry, value added products. Applied for Saturday Market. Sells in various Farmers Markets...looking to expand to the Portland Area for markets, and to expand their business.

Emily's Oysters - Oysters raised in Freeport. Applied for Saturday Market. Current member of PFMA attending Wednesday & Winter Market.

Fruit of the Forest - Specialty mushrooms. Current Provisional Winter Market member. Applied for Wednesday & Saturday.

Fruition Farmhouse LLC - Microgreens. Applied for Wednesday. New in 2021. Currently sell to local restaurants ...want to expand to markets.

Fuzzy Udder Creamery LLC - Sheep, Goat and Cow Milk Cheese. Applied for Wednesday, Saturday and Winter. Currently sells at several farmers' markets and wholesale to restaurants and stores. Wants to expand to Portland Market.

Maggie's Farm - Homestead Farm with dairy (cheese, milk) and some meat. Current temporary winter market member; applied for Wednesday, Saturday and Winter.

Olde Haven Farm - Beef, Pork, Lamb and value added products. Current winter and Wednesday market member. Applied for Saturday.

Phil's Farm - Organic Vegetable Farm. Applied for Wednesday & Saturday. Currently sells through CSA.

Tiny Acres Farm - Organic Mixed Vegetables, fruit and outdoor mushrooms. Currently sells at PFM with Balfour Farm. Business has grown and would like to have their own PFM space. Applied for Wednesday, Saturday and Winter.

Two Hands Farm - Vegetable and flower farm. Applied for Saturday (would take Wednesday if Saturday is not available).

WoodHaus Farm - Pork, lamb, eggs, chicken, duck, sausage. Applied for Wednesday, Saturday and Winter.

Discussion and vote on new members

Carolyn Snell made a motion to discuss each individual applicant and then vote. Cindy seconded the motion.

At the previous meeting in January we had decided to allow one vendor into the Saturday Market. Cindy made a motion to increase that to two vendors...due to space availability and the selection of applicants. Lucy seconded the motion. All voted in favor.

After discussion of each applicant, vote was taken on that particular applicant.

Final applicants accepted were:

Wednesday - Fruit of the Forest
Maggie's Farm
Tiny Acres Farm

Carolyn made a motion that we put Phil's Farm as first on the waiting list for Wednesday, should someone drop out of the market. Cindy seconded the motion. 13 votes in favor. Motion passed.

Saturday - Emily's Oysters
Olde Haven Farm

Winter - Bluet (Update: Bluet declined invitation to Winter Market)
Canopy Farms LLC
Maggie's Farm (taken off Temporary Winter Vendor Status)
Tiny Acres Farm

Brown Tail Moth Update:

Caitlin has heard from the City that they will most likely want us to move to Payson Park again in 2022 for the beginning of the season. She will have more information in March.

The consensus is that we should try hard to stay in Deering Oaks for the whole season...yet if we have to move, we need to approach it positively with lots of advertising.

The vendors noted that Payson Park is very windy and hot. That we should push back on discussions of moving...and if absolutely necessary, perhaps for a shorter window of time.

Buy in Meeting to be held March 5, 2022 via Zoom at 6 pm.

Austin made a motion to adjourn; Hanne seconded the motion. Meeting adjourned at approximately 8:20 pm

Respectfully submitted,

Cathy Karonis
Secretary PFMA

