

## State of Connecticut

Department of Agriculture Milk Regulation Board

Dr. Bruce Sherman - DoAg

12-Apr-2010

Minutes of Regular Meeting 27-Jan-2010

Board Members Present:

F. Philip Prelli – Chairperson/Commissioner of Agriculture Robert D'Alessandro Robert Jacquier Joseph Ruwet Jim Stearns Jack Tiffany Tracey Weeks, DPH rep.

Board Members Absent :

Neil Marcus Mae Schmidle

1 position vacant (milk processor)

Others Present:

Wayne Kasacek - DoAg

- 1. Meeting called to order 10:07 am
- 2. Introductions:
- 3. Correspondence:

None

4. Consideration of Oct. 29, 2009 minutes:

Motion to accept made by Jack Tiffany 2<sup>nd</sup> Joseph Ruwet Oct. 29, 2009 minutes approved by unanimous consent

5. Reports:

The Commissioner explained the departments current budget situation

The Commissioner reported that the department has no major legislative initiatives relating to dairy, milk or milk products.

The Commissioner reported on a planned meeting with USDA Secretary Vilsack

State Ratification Committee was continuing it's efforts in Washington on behalf of the Northeast.

The Commissioner spoke about the New England "Keep Local Farms Local" initiative and the departments involvement.

6. Old Business:

Dairy Sustainability Grants were going to be made. The next payment is expected in February.

7. New Business:

None

8. Public Comment:

None

9. Meeting adjourned at 10:49 am.

Respectfully submitted,

Wayne Kasacek Clerk of the Board