

June 18, 2015
Maine Milk Commission Meeting Minutes
Deering Building, Room 233
Augusta, Maine 04333

Notices for the June 18, 2015 meeting were distributed to Commission members, intervenors and other interested parties on May 21, 2015 and sent to the Secretary of State's Office for posting on May 21, 2015.

Commission Present: Mike Wiers, Colon Durrell, Richard Cook, Matt Randall and Stanley Millay

Commission Absent: None

Department Officials: None

Staff Present: Tim Drake, Executive Director, Audrey Shorty, Resource Administrator and Carol Gauthier, Office Associate

Legal Counsel: Lauren Parker

Others Present: John Bennett, Doug Carr and Jim Lesser of Oakhurst Dairy, John Blake, H.P. Hood, Julie-Marie Bickford and Dale Cole, MDIA, Shelley Doak, Maine Grocers and Food Producers Association, Clayton Davis and Audrey Slattery, DFA/DMS, Jordan Clark and Bill Randall of Agri-Mark and Gary Anderson, Xuan Chen and Julia McGuire from the University of Maine.

Chairman Wiers called the meeting to order at 10:35 a.m.

Agenda Item 1: Minutes: Colon Durrell made a motion to accept the minutes of the May 21, 2015 meeting as presented. Richard Cook seconded the motion. Motion passed 4-0.

Agenda Item 2: Lauren Parker, Assistant Attorney General:

Agenda Item 3: Minimum Prices:

Tim Drake reported that a prevailing premium of \$1.10/cwt. on Class I for July 2015, Dairy Marketing Services (DMS) and Agri-Mark Co-op had been reported. In addition to this premium, DMS and Agri-Mark reported that an additional \$0.43/cwt for milk that comes from producers who do not treat their cows with the rBST hormone will be in effect. Federal Order One Class I price for July is \$19.78, an increase of \$0.39/cwt. He explained that a schedule was prepared using this information plus a producer cost of production adjustment (COPA) of \$1.35/cwt. He stated that this price schedule was for informational purposes and that the Commission was not bound to it, and should make their pricing determination after hearing testimony.

Chairman Wiers asked for testimony.

No testimony was offered.

Colon Durrell made a motion to accept order #07-15 with a producer margin of \$1.35/cwt.

Richard Cook seconded the motion.

Chairman Wiers called for a vote on the motion. The motion passed 4-0.

Agenda Item 4: Maine Monthly Price Survey: The Commission reviewed the Maine price survey for June 2015 which showed retail prices for Augusta, Scarborough, South Portland, Brunswick, Biddeford, Bangor and Brewer. The IAMCA survey for April was also reviewed.

Agenda Item 5: Next Scheduled Meetings:

- July 23, 2015, 10:30 a.m.
Room 233, Department of Agriculture, Conservation and Forestry, Augusta ME
- August 20, 2015, 10:30 a.m.
Room 233, Department of Agriculture, Conservation and Forestry, Augusta ME
- September 24, 2015, 10:30 a.m.
Room 233, Department of Agriculture, Conservation and Forestry, Augusta ME
- October 22, 2015, 10:30 a.m.
Room 233, Department of Agriculture, Conservation and Forestry, Augusta ME

Agenda Item 6: Other:

- A. **Monthly Financial Report:** The FY 15 report was reviewed.

Agenda Item 7: Executive Session: None

Adjourned: Adjourned; 10:42 a.m. June 18, 2015.
Tim Drake, Maine Milk Commission