

ST. CLOUD AREA FARMERS MARKET BY-LAWS

ARTICLE I. NAME

1. The name of the association shall be St. Cloud Area Farmers Market.

ARTICLE II. ELECTION PROCEDURES

1. One vote and one voter per membership. A multi-person membership must designate the voter for that membership in writing for each season. If the designated voter can not attend a meeting, a temporary alternate member from that membership can be designated for the meeting. Absentee ballots will be allowed with the exception of election of officers.
2. Officers will be elected by more than 50% of the votes cast. Failure of any candidate to receive more than 50% of the votes cast in a three-way or more election will require a re-vote for the top two vote recipients to insure more than 50% support for the winning candidate.
3. Officers will be elected for a two-year term.
4. If a vacant office appears, the remaining officers shall fill the vacancy by appointment until the next annual meeting at which time membership shall elect someone to complete the remainder of the term.

ARTICLE III. OFFICERS

1. The officers shall consist of five members, including President, Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer and Market Master. Officers shall serve two-year terms. There shall be no more than one officer from one membership serving concurrently.

ARTICLE IV. ROLES AND DUTIES OF OFFICERS.

1. The officers shall set the policies of the organization to be ratified by the membership. This includes recommending market standards such as rules of operation, location, hours of operation, dues and fee structure, membership requirements and enforcement procedures.
President – shall preside at all meetings, oversee the management, organization and execution of the business of the market.
Vice-President – shall perform the duties of the President in the absence of the President.
Secretary – shall record the minutes of all proceedings/meetings of the market.
Treasurer – shall account for all financial transactions of the market, presenting a complete statement of the financial affairs of the market at the annual meeting.
Market Master – shall verify that the market vendors are members in good standing, and monitor market for standards compliance, appearance and safety.

ARTICLE V. MEETINGS

1. The regular annual meeting shall be held at such time and place as determined by the officers.
2. Notice of the annual meeting shall be provided to membership at least twenty days prior to date of the meeting.
3. The market shall meet at least once annually.

ARTICLE VI. AMENDMENT PROCEDURES

1. These By-Laws may be amended by 2/3rds majority of votes cast.

Changes approved by 2/3rds vote at Annual Meeting, December 12, 2012