



February 1, 2024

Greetings Marketers!

Enclosed you will find the 2024 application and the Market By-laws for the Houlton Community Market. The first market day will be held on Saturday, May 25 from 8:30am to 12:30pm in Market Square in Houlton rain, snow, or shine!

If you are a first-time marketer your product needs to be vetted by the Board of Directors. Please read the By-Laws for rules and regulations of what is considered saleable for the market. Fill out the application included in this packet, and someone will contact you.

Please note that the vendor rate includes a "premises and operations" insurance for the market but this policy does not provide insurance for individual vendors and their produce or goods sold. Most likely you are covered by your homeowners' policy but we urge you to check your with your insurance agent to make sure.

Fill out and return the application with payment by May 15 to the Houlton Chamber of Commerce and note the request of applicable vendor licenses for products requiring such licenses. (Not all products require a license to sell. Check out this site www.maine.gov/dacf/qar/permits_and_licenses/index.shtml for more information.)

Total payment and applicable documentation for former Market vendors is expected with the application. Potential new vendors may send in their applications for vetting by the Market Board. Payment is expected upon agreement that your product is suitable for sale at Market.

A successful Farmers Market needs both a variety of vendors and the support of the community. Consider taking part in our continuing efforts to establish a successful Farmers Market in Houlton by providing a variety of produce and goods. If you would like to join the Board of Directors to have a voice in steering the Markets course, please let us know.

Thank you for helping to build a strong, local food community in Southern Aroostook! If you have any questions, please contact Jane Torres at the Houlton Chamber of Commerce by email director@greaterhoulton.com. Or by calling 532-4216 or 694-3414.

Sincerely,

Houlton Community Market Board:

*Tessa Flannery- Market Master
Jane Torres, Treasurer
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*Angela Wotton, Board Chair
Marie Taft, EBT coordinator*

