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*Town of Southwick*

# Southwick Agricultural Commission

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## MEETING AGENDA Agricultural Commission Wednesday Feb. 9, 2022 at 7:00 pm

Hybrid meeting to be held in-person at the Land Use Room in Town Hall and via Zoom  
(Per Chapter 20 Acts of 2021)

In the event of a closure of Town Hall due to inclement weather or any other emergency the  
Hybrid Format shall switch to remote meeting zoom only for the posted meeting

Time: Feb 9, 2022 07:00 PM Eastern Time (US and Canada)

### Join Zoom Meeting

<https://southwickma.zoom.us/j/89411631856?pwd=c0VWN2tpSmRHZGIES2wxMHZSb3FiUT09>

Meeting ID: 894 1163 1856

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### 7:00pm

Call meeting to order / Announce Meeting Date / Time / Commissioners

### Communications

- USPS Mail; email, Facebook page; town correspondence

### Approve Minutes of Jan. 12, 2021

### Old Business

- Master Plan Advisory Committee update
- Open Space Plan – activities to support Goal 3 – “Preserve working farms and forests...”
  - Right to Farm real estate disclosures
  - Farm brochure
- APR process/flowchart <https://www.mass.gov/doc/apr-program-resources/download> (see pgs 5-7)

### New Business

- Open Meeting Law workshop discussion/certificates

- 326 N. Loomis – access required under 61A
- 302 Granville Road RDA
- 72 Mort Vining Road – Right of First Refusal under 61A
- Prifti APR
- USDA Farmland Preservation Funding - FYI

### **Conservation/Farm Properties**

- Davis property, 217 Sheep Pasture Road - APR status

### **Back Burner**

- Commission appointments update
- Community Garden – closed for the season
- Witchwood Realty, 32 Hillside Road
- John and James Lombella, 58 & 64 Tannery Road
- Devon Arnold, 61A for 2 acres at 8 Nicholson Hill

### **Purpose**

The Commission encourages the pursuit of agriculture, promotes agriculture-based economic opportunities, and protects farmlands within the Town of Southwick by allowing agricultural uses and related activities to function with minimal conflict with abutters and Town agencies.

CC email: Town Clerk, Selectmen, Historical Commission, Board of Assessors, Board of Appeals, Building Inspector, Water Department, DPW, EDC, Agricultural Commission, Conservation Commission, Safety Officer, Park and Recreation, Planning Board, Health Inspector, Fire Department, Jim Middleton