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Town of Southwick

Southwick Agricultural Commission

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MEETING AGENDA

August 10, 2022 at 7:00 pm

Hybrid meeting to be held in-person in 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.

Join Zoom Meeting
Town of Southwick, MA

Cindy Barton is inviting you to a scheduled Zoom meeting.

Topic: Southwick Agricultural Commission Meeting
Time: Aug 10, 2022 07:00 PM Eastern Time (US and Canada)

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://southwickma.zoom.us/j/82127129655?pwd=SGRQZC85SVhZZC93cmpZamZIZXYrdz09>

Meeting ID: 821 2712 9655

Passcode: 498731

One tap mobile

Dial your location

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+1 929 205 6099 US (New York)

+1 301 715 8592 US (Washington DC)

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Find your local number: <https://southwickma.zoom.us/j/kuANOVhr6>

7:00pm

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

Communications

- USPS Mail; email, Facebook page; town correspondence

Approve Minutes of June 8, 2022

New Business

- Sofinowski/Comm Garden signs
- Maintenance of Sofinowski Preserve ponds

Old Business

- Commission reappointments
- Master Plan Advisory Committee update
- Open Space Plan – activities to support Goal 3 – “Preserve working farms and forests...”
 - Right to Farm real estate disclosures (General Legislation, Ch 140, Right to Farm)
 - Farm brochure
 - Open Farm Day – suggestion: 4th Sunday of August – 8/26/2023, 8/24/2024, 8/23/2025
- 72 Mort Vining Road – Right of First Refusal under 61A – Update

- Community Garden update
- Youth members of commission/Ag education
- AgCom magazine

FYI

- Retirement party for Fire Chief Russ Anderson, Friday Sept. 16 at the Ranch
- “Automated pork-producing farms” – Section 185-35

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, Select Board, 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