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Town of Southwick Southwick Agricultural Commission

Telephone (413) 569-6907

MEETING AGENDA September 14, 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 107 of the Acts of 2022)

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.

Topic: Southwick Agricultural Commission Meeting Time: Sep 14, 2022 07:00 PM Eastern Time (US and Canada)

Join Zoom Meeting https://southwickma.zoom.us/j/87671205228?pwd=ZXd6M01IUk1OMEw3K3dWM0RIOUdXdz09

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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 Aug. 10, 2022

New Business

Maintenance of Sofinowski Preserve ponds – work party date

Old Business

- Sofinowski/Comm Garden signs
- 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)
 - Open Farm Day suggestion: 4th Sunday of August 8/26/2023, 8/24/2024, 8/23/2025
- Community Garden update
- Youth members of commission/Ag education

- AgCom magazine
- <u>FYI</u>
- Granby CT Open Farm Day 9/17/2022 http://www.granbyag.org/
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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