TOWN OF SOUTHWICK • 454 COLLEGE HIGHWAY • SOUTHWICK, MA 01077

# **Southwick Agricultural Commission**

Telephone (413) 569-6907

## MEETING AGENDA

#### May 10, 2023 at 7:00 pm

#### Hybrid meeting to be held in-person in the Land Use Room in Town Hall and via Zoom Pursuant to Chapter 2, Acts of 2023 (Format-Hybrid Meeting)

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. In the event of any technical difficulties, we will ensure a recorded tape of the proceedings is placed on the Town Web page at www.southwickma.org.

#### Join Zoom Meeting

https://southwickma.zoom.us/j/81286483389?pwd=ZzMwSWN5RGdoY25xMlprZnhvWUZQQT09

Meeting ID: 812 8648 3389 Passcode: 149777 Find your local number: <u>https://southwickma.zoom.us/u/kcNClihBZz</u>

#### <u>7:00pm</u>

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

#### Public Comments

<u>Communications</u> – USPS Mail; email, Facebook page; town correspondence

#### New Business

- HCIL Big E opportunities
- Review year-end expenses

#### Old Business

- Open Farm Day plans
- Ch 61 protocols
- Master Plan committee update
- Community Garden 2023
  - Pollinator plant drop-off at Rotary event May 20
  - New trail between garden and nearby pond
- AgComm website/newsletter
- Sofinowski/Comm Garden signs

### Approve Minutes of April 12 & April 26

#### <u>FYI</u>

- Town Meeting May 16.
- Master Plan "Did We Hear You?" workshop June 1, 6-8 pm
- Agrivoltaic farming update

#### 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

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