

# Southwick Agricultural Commission

Telephone (413) 569-6907

## REGULAR MEETING AGENDA

Oct. 11, 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](http://www.southwickma.org).

### Join Zoom Meeting

<https://southwickma.zoom.us/j/88253149473?pwd=bGZoZHI4NGpRWHBpVzJUeTduMkJEZz09>

Meeting ID: 882 5314 9473

Passcode: 187953

Find your local number: : <https://southwickma.zoom.us/u/kbGVrMnvZT>

### 7:00pm

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

### Public Comments

Communications – USPS Mail; email, Facebook page; town correspondence

### New Business

- Welcome new members
- Elect vice-chair and clerk
- Ongoing meeting schedule
- Fall/winter workshops – grant-writing and succession planning
- Winter festival/craft fair at Town Hall Dec. 9

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### Ongoing Business

- southwickag.com
- Master plan committee update – PB meeting Oct. 10; Public hearing at PB meeting Dec. 12
- Farm Parade and Trunk or Treat Oct. 28
- Pioneer Dairy potential sale
- Big E/Farm-a-Rama observations
- Open Farm Day – still wrapping up!
- Ch 61 protocols
- Community Garden

### Approve Minutes

### FYI

- National Farmer's Day Oct. 12
- Special Town Meeting Dec. 5 – MPAC info table

### 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.