



TOWN OF ACTON AGRICULTURAL COMMISSION
VIRTUAL MEETING AGENDA
September 15, 2020
6:00 PM

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Agenda Items:

1. Introduction of new members.
2. Review of Acton and Massachusetts Laws, Right to Farm Chapter AA and Acton's new Bylaw; MGL Chapter 40, Section 8L Municipal agricultural commission.
3. Review the AgCom's Charge.
4. Elect a chair and clerk and appoint lengths of terms (one person 3 years, one person 2 years, one person 1 year).
5. Set up a 2020 meeting schedule
6. According to Acton's Right to Farm Bylaw: "Within 30 days after this bylaw becomes effective, the Board of Selectmen shall prominently post in the **Town Hall, Public Libraries, Town Notice Boards, the official Town website**, and make available for distribution the following disclosure:
"It is the policy of this community to conserve, protect and encourage the maintenance and improvement of agricultural land for the production of food, and other agricultural products, and also for its natural and ecological value. This disclosure notification is to inform buyers and occupants that the property they are about to acquire or occupy lies within a town where farming activities occur. Such farming activities may include, but are not limited to, activities that cause noise, dust and odors. In addition to the above, copies of this disclosure notification shall be available in a public area at the town hall."
7. Discuss next steps in preparing a comprehensive local agricultural plan consistent with town master plan and Open Space and Recreation Plan as is defined in the Charge.

*The listed agenda items are those reasonably anticipated by the Chair. Not all items may in fact be discussed and other items not listed may also be brought up for discussion to the extent permitted by law. Reasonable accommodations for people with disabilities are available upon request. Include a description of the accommodation you will need, including as much detail as you can and include a way we can contact you if we need more information. Please allow advance notice. Send an e-mail to **manager@acton-ma.gov** or call Town Manager's Office **(978)929-6611***

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