

Town of Canandaigua

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Canandaigua, N. Y. 14424
Established 1789

Agricultural Advisory Committee Meeting

Thursday, April 6, 2018

Meeting Called by:	Mark Stryker, Chair
Committee Members:	Mark Stryker, Chair Bob DiCarlo, Vice Chair (absent) Ray Henry, Recording Secretary Gary Davis Tim Riley (absent) Fernando Soberon (absent)
Town Representatives:	Doug Finch, Town Manager
Guests:	Gary Jones

Called to Order at 6:00pm by Chairman Mark Stryker

Privilege of the Floor - No one spoke

Report of the Development Office - No referrals, no new solar farms

Referrals - None

New Business: The following ideas were discussed:

1. Developing the ideas of harvesting Hemp, medical history, market and money for it. Succession planning. Ways to try to make money because money is so tight right now and ways to identify new people with new development niches. And ways to argument for succession planning.
2. Discussion on the FFA (Future Farmers of America) Presentation of a farming documentary at the Gorham Central School. In the video, Mike Rowe talked about the seeming disappearance of the family farm.
3. "What can we do to encourage Economic Development?" There was a

discussion regarding the results of the Concept Mapping project that the Economic Development Committee has been working on. About 100 people rated these ideas from the Town and City of Canandaigua and the Chamber of Commerce. 14 clusters were formed with the result that an extremely important emphasis should be placed on agriculture.

4. A discussion followed on the importance of the open house at the new truck garage on June 16th and what we can provide for the celebration. This was followed by a discussion about the Ontario County Fair.

Doug discussed the interesting subject of TDR's (Transfer of Development Rights).

Ray suggested every one think of candidates for 100 Yr old century and 200 Yr old tri-century farm designees

A general discussion of miscellaneous closed the meeting;

Meeting adjourned at 7:30 pm.

Next meeting scheduled for May 3, 2018

Ray Henry, Recording Secretary