

# *Town of Canandaigua*

5540 Routes 5 & 20 West  
Canandaigua, N. Y. 14424  
*Established 1789*

## **Agricultural Advisory Committee Meeting** **Monday, May 2, 2019, (6:00 PM)**

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**Meeting Called by:** Bob DiCarlo, Vice Chair

**Committee Members:** Bob DiCarlo, Vice Chair  
Ray Henry, Recording Secretary  
Gary Davis  
Gary Jones  
Tim Riley  
Fernando Soberon

**Committee Member Absent:** Mark Stryker, Chair

**Town Representatives:** Doug Finch  
Sarah Reynolds

**Guests:**

### **Report of the Development Office**

Assigned some "home-work". Doug asked the Committee to re-read "The Transfer of Development Rights" as they were approved by the Town Board in March with emphasis on transfer formulas, credits per acre, etc. **See pgs 32 -33.** Was it too complex?

### **Referrals**

A discussion followed on the "Criteria for Referrals to Agricultural Advisory Committee". Was it **NOT** complex enough? As a result of the discussion, all of the proposed changes were **APPROVED. See Attached (Criteria for Referrals).**

### **Old Business**

Sarah noted that the Update to the Town's Comprehensive Plan is developing well, and we will be hearing more about it soon. To date there are 10 or so members. There will be several things that the Ag Meeting will be asked to consider throughout the update process.

July 19 - Onanda Park Day Camp, 11AM

Ice Cream from scratch - Fernando Soberon

Who will attend? Fernando, maybe Bob

Who will arrange for the purchase of ingredients?

Who will reach out to potential sponsors for donations?

Wegmans, Walmart, Upstate, Byrne Dairy, etc

August 7 - Tractor @ Baker Park Day Camp,

Bringing the tractor - Mark Stryker,

Ray Henry – Maybe bringing the Waterloo Boy.

How long can you be there? A few hours

Thursday July 25 - Ag Com Mtg @ Ontario County Fair.

We will hold a regular Ag Com Mtg at the County Fair in order to field questions regarding TDRs, PDRs, etc. in the New Barn.

There will be room for 70 in the small room and 222 in the large area.

Question: Should we advertise this event?? Use Newsletter, etc.

### **New Business :**

Sarah has received 1 new PDR application and Doug has talked to several farmers about PDRs. The date has not been set for the receipt of new applications. "Let people know that the window is open".

### **Members' Reports - None**

### **Next meeting schedule:**

Meeting was adjourned at approximately 7:30PM. The next meeting will be in the Town Highway Garage (Genundewah) Conference Room at 6:00 PM on June 6, 2019.

Ray Henry, Recording Secretary

## Criteria for Referrals to Agricultural Advisory Committee

The application will be referred if the project and/or subject property meets any of the following criteria:

- contains a current farming operation\*
- is adjacent to or within 500 feet of a property that is currently farmed
- currently receives an agricultural exemption
- is within an agricultural district
- is adjacent to or within 500 feet of a property within an agricultural district
- is adjacent to or within 500 feet of a property that has been permanently protected with a PDR or a conservation easement
- is within the Strategic Farmland Protection Area and/or the Padelford Brook Greenway.
  - Reference these maps here: M:\Development Office\Administrative Clerical\Plans and Studies\Ag Enhancement Plan, or on the Ag Committee's page on the Town website.

**\*Remember:** Agricultural Activity/Farming operations includes ALL types of agriculture including (but not limited to):

- crops (wheat, corn, hay, soybeans, etc.)
- livestock (cattle, hogs, horses, goats, sheep, llamas, alpacas, etc.)
- poultry/eggs
- fruit trees/shrubs (apples, pears, peaches, blueberries, blackberries, etc.)
- vegetables/fruit/herbs
- hops
- sod
- honey bees
- maple
- timber
- Christmas trees
- flowers
- equestrian facilities
- nurseries
- small scale producers (mushrooms, garlic, herbs, vegetables, flowers, etc.)