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Bureau of Agricultural Development and Resource Preservation



FARMLAND PRESERVATION ADVISORY BOARD

MEETING AGENDA Thursday, February 25th 9:00 – 10:30am

Held remotely through Microsoft Teams.

A link will be emailed to members and included in the posted final agenda

- 9:00am** Welcome: Commissioner Hurlburt
- 9:05am** Introduction of Members: Cam Weimar
- 9:15am** Review of mission, statutory duties, engagement of agency: Cam Weimar
- 9:30am** New Business
- Notice of the need for leadership elections and nomination of Chairperson
 - Meeting dates for 2021. Minimum quarterly.
 - Review of the PDR process for the Farmland Preservation and Community Farms Preservation Program
 - Review of draft Farmland Preservation regulation Revisions
 - Option to Purchase at Agricultural Valuation (OPAV) introduction
 - Future agenda items. Suggestions:
 - Evaluation and recommendations for streamlining the PDR processes;
 - Increasing participation by municipalities, land trusts, and farmers;
 - Option to Purchase at Agricultural Valuation (“OPAV”);
 - Planning for future acquisitions;
 - Collaborating with partners to identify prime farmlands for preservation;
 - Outreach strategies
- 10:20am** Old Business
- 10:25am** Public Comment Period
- 10:30am** Meeting close