# **AGENDA**

# PENINSULA and AREA AGRICULTURAL COMMISSION COMMITTEE ROOM 2, SAANICH MUNICIPAL HALL THURSDAY APRIL 11, 2024, 7:00 pm

The District of Saanich lies within the territories of the ləkwəŋən peoples represented by the Songhees and Esquimalt Nations and the WSÁNEĆ peoples represented by the Tsartlip, Pauquachin, Tsawout, Tseycum and Malahat Nations.

We are committed to celebrating the rich diversity of people in our community. We are guided by the principle that embracing diversity enriches the lives of all people. We all share the responsibility for creating an equitable and inclusive community and for addressing discrimination in all forms.

- 1. Adoption of Minutes: March 14, 2024
- 2. Chair's Remarks
- 3. Remarks from Council Reps
- 4. Treasurer's Report
- 5. SPEAKER'S BUREAU: None scheduled

# 6. CORRESPONDENCE:

a) Email to Jody Watson, CRD, re Goose Management Strategy

# 7. AGRICULTURAL ISSUES: NEW (Robin Tunnicliffe)

- a) Dumping fill on farmland Article in Vancouver Sun (link below) <a href="https://vancouversun.com/news/local-news/bc-farmland-illegal-dumping">https://vancouversun.com/news/local-news/bc-farmland-illegal-dumping</a>
  - Research on Municipal Deposit of Fill Bylaws Further discussion (Chair)
- b) CRA Lifetime Capital Exemption for Farmers Larry Sluggett
- c) Cougars in Metchosin (Chair)

# 8. AGRICULTURAL ISSUES: CURRENT (& updates)

- a) Water Update Mike Doehnel
- b) South Island Farmers' Institute Update (Katie/Shellie)
- c) Farmland Access Programme Noah Broatman CRD
- d) CRD Goose Management Strategy Update

# 9. OTHER BUSINESS

- a) Vancouver Island Agriculture Adaptation Group Bob Maxwell
- b) Vancouver Island AgriService Newsletter Megan Halstead
  - sign up at https://agriservicebc.campayn.com/contact\_list\_form/signup/110236
- c) Annual Report: Draft to be circulated at the meeting.

# 10. Upcoming Events / Webinars

Adjournment NEXT MEETING: Thursday, May 9, 2024 at 7:00 pm

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