

**PENINSULA & AREA AGRICULTURAL COMMISSION**  
**COMMITTEE ROOM 2, SAANICH MUNICIPAL HALL**  
**or By ZOOM**

**THURSDAY February 9, 2023, 7:00 pm**

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- 1. Adoption of Minutes:     January 12 2023**
- 2. TREASURER'S REPORT** (Jenni Michell / Isobel Hoffmann)
- 3. SPEAKER'S BUREAU:** Jane Welton, Greater Victoria Acting Together
- 4. AGRICULTURAL ISSUES: NEW**
  - Report re Proposed Food Hub – Central Saanich, Consultant Darren Scott ZOOM)
  - Report Distributed previously
- 5. AGRICULTURAL ISSUES: CURRENT (& updates)**
  - a)     Water Update – Mike Doehnel
  - b)     Spring Farm Tour 2023 (Linda Geggie) – see January minutes
  - c)     50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of ALR – Meghan Halstead
  - d)     Consideration of Reinstatement of a Farmers' Institute – see January minutes
- 6. CORRESPONDENCE:**
  - a) Letter from Chair to CRD re methodology re Goose Management Survey (attached)
  - b) Letter to Central Saanich in encouraging Maber Flat improvements (attached)
  - c) Letter to Central Saanich re comments on Vertical Farming proposal (attached)
- 7. OTHER BUSINESS**
  - a) Vancouver Island Agriculture Adaptation Group – Bob Maxwell
  - b) Vancouver Island AgriService Newsletter – Megan Halstead
- 9. Upcoming Events / Webinars**
  - a) Spring Farm Tour – Saturday June 10, 2023
  - b) PAAC Annual Report 2022 – Reports requested by March 1, 2023
- 10. Next Meeting – Thursday, March 9, 2023**

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**Parking Lot:**

- T-5 Slip 2020 & 2021 - interest from GIC
- Grape & Fruit Atlas
- Appointment of new representative from Minister's Office – no response to enquiry
- Agriculture in the Classroom Education component – pending end of COVID restrictions
- Water Rate Variations – response pending from CRD Water Commission (from May 13, 2019)