PENINSULA & AREA AGRICULTURAL COMMISSION COMMITTEE ROOM 2, SAANICH MUNICIPAL HALL THURSDAY OCTOBER 12, 2023, 7:00 pm

1. Adoption of Minutes: September 14, 2023

2. TREASURER'S REPORT (Jenni Michell / Isobel Hoffmann)

3. SPEAKER'S BUREAU:

a) South Island Food Hub (Esquimalt) – Grand Opening of Kitchen Connect (Colleen or Laura)

- Application for distribution networks to support development of storage & distribution capacity to a network of food hubs & connection to larger markets.

b) Investment Agriculture Fund: Arzeena Hamir

4. CORRESPONDENCE:

a) Response to Saanich re Holland Avenue Farm Worker Accommodation application

5. AGRICULTURAL ISSUES: NEW

6. AGRICULTURAL ISSUES: CURRENT (& updates)

- a) Water Update Mike Doehnel
- b) **South Island Farmers' Institute –** Update (Katie/Shellie)
- c) CRD Goose Management Programme (Jody Watson)

7. OTHER BUSINESS

- a) Vancouver Island Agriculture Adaptation Group Bob Maxwell
- b) Vancouver Island AgriService Newsletter Megan Halstead - sign up at <u>https://agriservicebc.campayn.com/contact_list_form/signup/110236</u>

8. Upcoming Events / Webinars

9. Next Meeting – Thursday, NOVEMBER 16, 2023 (Note change in date)