



City of Maple Ridge  
Agricultural Advisory Committee  
**AGENDA**

Thursday, October 22, 2020 at 7:00 pm  
Held via Zoom Teleconference

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**Meeting Access Information**

To practice social distancing during the COVID-19 pandemic we will be holding the Agricultural Advisory Committee (AAC) meeting via Zoom teleconference. All participants including members of the AAC and the public are asked to join the meeting from home using the following access information:

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1. **CALL TO ORDER**
2. **APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA**
3. **ADOPTION OF MINUTES** – September 24, 2020
4. **DELEGATIONS**
5. **QUESTION PERIOD**
6. **NEW AND UNFINISHED BUSINESS**
  - 6.1. Water Meter Rates Research Update
  - 6.2. 2021 Business Plan Update
  - 6.3. COVID-19 Update
  - 6.4. Metro Vancouver Agriculture Climate 2050 and Clean Air Plan Review
7. **LIAISON UPDATES**
  - 7.1. Staff Liaison
  - 7.2. Council Liaison
8. **TASK FORCE UPDATES**
  - 8.1. Food Garden Contest 2020
  - 8.2. Education
  - 8.3. Promotion of Agriculture
9. **ROUNDTABLE**
10. **ADJOURNMENT**

**Next Meeting:** November 26, 2020

**Agenda Items Submission Deadline:** November 12, 2020

**QUESTION PERIOD**

Question Period provides the public with the opportunity to ask questions or make comments on subjects that are of concern to them. Each person will be given 2 minutes to speak.  
Up to ten minutes in total is allotted for Question Period.



City of Maple Ridge  
Agricultural Advisory Committee  
MEETING MINUTES

The Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Agricultural Advisory Committee,  
held via Zoom teleconference on September 24, 2020 at 7:09 pm

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**COMMITTEE MEMBERS PRESENT**

Councillor Gordy Robson	Council Liaison
Bill Hardy, Chair	Member at Large
Carla Schiller, Vice Chair	Member at Large
Andrew Pozsar	Member at Large
Pascale Shaw	Member at Large
Shannon Lambie	Agriculture Land Commission (Non-voting member)

**STAFF MEMBERS PRESENT**

Adam Rieu	Staff Liaison/Community Planning
Diana Hall	Community Planning
Sabina Chand	Committee Clerk

**GUESTS**

Dr. Wallapak Polasub	Kwantlen Polytechnic University
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**COMMITTEE MEMBERS ABSENT**

Lorraine Bates	Agricultural Fair Board Representative
Michelle Franklin	Member at Large
Melissa Maltais	Fraser North Farmers Market Society Representative
Angela Boss	B.C. Ministry of Agriculture (Non-voting member)

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Note: Carla Schiller joined the meeting at 7:09 pm

**1. CALL TO ORDER**

**2. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA**

R/2020-020

It was moved and seconded

**That the September 24, 2020 Agricultural Advisory Committee agenda be approved.**

CARRIED

**3. ADOPTION OF THE MINUTES**

R/2020-021

It was moved and seconded

**That the minutes of the Maple Ridge Agricultural Advisory Committee meeting dated June 25, 2020 be adopted.**

CARRIED

**4. DELEGATIONS**

**4.1. ALR Project - Dr. Wallapak Polasub, Kwantlen Polytechnic University**

Dr. Wallapak Polasub presented an overview of approved non-farm use and subdivision applications in Metro Vancouver from 1997–2016. Following the presentation, Dr. Wallapak Polasub responded to questions and comments from the Committee and was asked to provide a consolidated report at a future meeting.

**5. QUESTION PERIOD- Nil**

**6. NEW AND UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

**6.1. Agriculture Land Commission Exclusion Application Update**

Shannon Lambie provided an update on the exclusion application request to the Agricultural Land Commission and highlighted upcoming changes that will take place on September 30, 2020.

Note: S. Lambie, D. Hall and Dr. W. Polasub left the meeting at 8:25 pm

**6.2. Water Meter Rates Research Update**

Adam Rieu provided a verbal update on the water meter rates research for farms in other Metro Vancouver municipalities and will provide an update at the next meeting.

**6.3. 2021 Membership Recruitment**

The Committee Clerk provided information on the fall membership recruitment process and answered questions and comments from the Committee.

**6.4. 2021 Business Planning**

The Committee reviewed and discussed the 2020-2021 Business Plan and noted a follow-up discussion for the October 22, 2020 meeting.

R/2020-022

It was moved and seconded

**That the proposed Agricultural Advisory Committee 2020-2021 Business Plan be adopted**

**CARRIED**

**7. LIAISON UPDATES**

**7.1 Staff Liaison**

The Staff Liaison shared that City Hall will reopen to the public on October 5, 2020.

**7.2 Council Liaison**

Councillor Robson asked for an update on the City's tree planting program, which the Staff Liaison will provide at the next meeting.

**8. SUBCOMMITTEE & TASK FORCE UPDATES**

**8.1 Food Garden Contest 2020**

Carla Schiller shared an update on the entries received for the Food Garden Contest. Winners will be awarded shortly and names will be announced at a future Council meeting.

R/2020-023

It was moved and seconded

**That a budget of up to \$100 be approved for the Food Garden Contest 2020 prizes.**

CARRIED

**8.2 Education – Nil**

**8.3 Promotion of Agriculture**

The Chair provided an update on the Booth in a Box project and will initiate a progress check meeting and report back to the Committee in October 2020.

**9. ROUNDTABLE**

Members provided verbal reports on local agricultural topics and activities.

**10. ADJOURNMENT – 8:59 PM**

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Bill Hardy, Chair

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