

## AGRICULTURE COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES

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<b>Committee Chair's Agenda</b>			
		Motion: Ayes: Noes: Absent:	Carried: Defeated: Referred to:
<b>10:30 AM Animal Control w/J. Goodell</b>			
1. <u><a href="#">July 2020 Monthly Update:</a></u>		Motion: Ayes: Noes: Absent:	Carried: Defeated: Referred to:
<b>10:45 AM Cooperative Extension w/A. Griffith</b>			
1. <b>Discussion:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Budget proposal / PPP Inquiry                             <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ \$390,400 amount of 2020 annual appropriation</li> <li>○ \$97,600 amount of quarterly payment</li> <li>○ Request permission to defer \$78,000 from the 4<sup>th</sup> quarter payment to the 2021 1<sup>st</sup> quarter pymt.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>		Motion: Brick Ayes: 9 Noes: Absent:	Carried: <b>XXX</b> Defeated: Referred to:  <b>FINANCE</b>

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2. <i>Farm &amp; Homestead</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <a href="#"><u>August – September 2020</u></a></li> </ul>		Motion: Ayes: Noes: Absent:	Carried: Defeated: Referred to:
3. <b>Misc.</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Online Meat Auction               <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ \$152,350 in total sales</li> </ul> </li> <li>• Supervisor Brunner, T/Java questioned the parking lot at camp Wyomoco as it is listed as a discussion item in tomorrow's Public Works Committee.               <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Exec. Director Griffith explained that Extension is looking to do a few upgrades in hopes of generating other rental opportunities at camp. There is currently no real parking only a dirt drive and lawn parking and as you can imagine after a heavy rain it can get pretty muddy...</li> </ul> </li> </ul>		Motion: Ayes: Noes: Absent:	Carried: Defeated: Referred to:
<b>Will bring 4-H Team next month</b>			
<b>Fair Association w/M. Roche</b>			
1. <b>General Update (when available):</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Update was brief but Supervisor Roche did talk about winter storage opportunities...</li> </ul>		Motion: Ayes: Noes: Absent:	Carried: Defeated: Referred to:

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<b>Dairy Update w/S. Klein</b>			
1. <b>General Update (when available):</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• WNY milk production up 5%                             <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Statewide up 2%</li> </ul> </li> <li>• Dairy sales through COVID-19 pandemic have been difficult as several outlets have closed down</li> <li>• Enormous increase in boxed lunches to the kids and Italian cheese (string cheese)</li> <li>• Pricing has risen, including forecasts into fall                             <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Forecasting downturn early Sept./Oct. \$13/ct.</li> <li>○ Pricing is currently \$15.50/ct.</li> </ul> </li> <li>• Small grain yields are above average</li> <li>• Potato growers are extremely happy – above average to excellent</li> <li>• Supervisor Brick, T/Perry offered an update on pricing on the crops he raises and sells.</li> <li>• Vending Machine/Food Services @ the Ag. Center</li> <li>• Supervisor Brick, T/Perry suggested Brett from Farm Service Credit be invited to a meeting for an update.</li> </ul>		Motion: Ayes: Noes: Absent:	Carried: Defeated: Referred to:
<i>At 10:52 AM Supervisor Ryan, T/Warsaw entered the meeting during the below discussion.</i>			
<i>Supervisor Kehl, T/Attica stated NYS Senate and Assembly passed a bill banning use of Round-Up on state land.</i>			
<b>Resolution in Opposition to NYS Senate Bill S6502-A and NYS Assembly Bill A732-B, AN ACT TO AMEND THE ENVIRONMENTAL CONSERVATION LAW, IN RELATION TO PROHIBITING THE USE OF GLYPHOSATE ON STATE PROPERTY</b>	<i>Send a copy of the resolution to Congress, Assembly and Senate</i>	Motion: Klein Ayes: 9 Noes: Absent:	Carried: <b>XXX</b> Defeated: Referred to:  <b>*RESOLUTION</b>
<b>Ag. &amp; Farmland Protection</b>			
1. <b>Clean Energy Resources Development and Incentives “Build-Ready” Program <a href="#">presentation</a></b>	<i>@ Supervisor Brick</i>	Motion: Ayes: Noes: Absent:	Carried: Defeated: Referred to:

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<b>County Forestlands w/</b>			
	~Nothing to Report~	Motion: Ayes: Noes: Absent:	Carried: Defeated: Referred to:
<i>Supervisor Ryan talked to Tom Breslin, a former member of the County Forestry Comm. H asked to see Forestry report. Clerk Ketchum invited Mr. Breslin to come into the office where he can review the county's 10 year forest management plan, which will come to conclusion at the end of this year.</i>			
<b>Soil &amp; Water w/A. Fagan</b>			
	~Nothing to Report~	Motion: Ayes: Noes: Absent:	Carried: Defeated: Referred to:
<b>Conservation w/</b>			
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<b>Green Energy Committee</b>			
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Signature of Committee Chairman: p/A. D. Berwanger & B. Becker (minutes prepared by C. Ketchum).

Next Agriculture Committee Meeting scheduled for **Wednesday, September 30, 2020 @ 10:30 AM.**

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