

AGRICULTURE & GREEN ENERGY COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES

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Date: Wednesday, September 28, 2022 @ 10:30 AM

Location: **Supervisors' Chambers, 2nd floor of the government center.**

Agriculture Committee Members Present: **Becker, Brick**, Berwanger Kehl, Gozelski, Roche, Granger, McCormick,

Absent: Jacoby;

Also Present: C. Ketchum/Board Clerk; B. Ryan/Board Chair

Green Energy Committee Members Present: **Roche, Berwanger**, Kehl, Gozelski, Granger, McCormick, Brick, Becker,

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Department Agenda Item	Discussion	Decision	Action
10:30 AM Committee Chair's Agenda			
1. <u>Fall NYSAC Conf. Resolution:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Resolution in Support of New York State Sharing Agriculture Mitigation Fees with Counties to Support County Agriculture and Farmland Protection Initiatives 		Motion: Gozelski Ayes: 8 Noes: Absent: 1 Jacoby	Carried: XXX Defeated: Referred to: *RESOLUTION
2. <u>Fall NYSAC Conf. Resolution:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Resolution Calling for the elimination of the Farm Laborers Wage Board 		Motion: Gozelski Ayes: 8 Noes: Absent: 1 Jacoby	Carried: XXX Defeated: Referred to: *RESOLUTION
3. <u>NYS Ag. Society Update</u>		Motion: Ayes: Noes: Absent:	Carried: Defeated: Referred to:
10:40 AM Animal Control w/B. Becker			
1. <u>Aug 2022 Monthly Report</u>	<i>Reviewed and Attached</i>	Motion: Ayes: Noes: Absent:	Carried: Defeated: Referred to:

Animal Control Officer Goodell was unavailable to attend today's meeting, however, she did provide a brief update to Committee Chair Becker to share:

1. Working on a Countywide Dog Enumeration Program
 - a. Should have proposals out to the Towns by the end of October 2022.

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<p>2. Renew Resolution for Order of Protection for Deer – Wyoming County Department of Animal Control has indicated that there is potential for unnecessary loss to the white tailed deer population due to dogs chasing the deer. Resolution would require that all dogs in the County of Wyoming be securely confined for the period of November 1, 2022 through April 1, 2023, under Article 7, Section 122 of the New York State Agriculture and Markets Law.</p>		<p>Motion: Kehl Ayes: 8 Noes: Absent: 1 Jacoby</p>	<p>Carried: XXX Defeated: Referred to: *RESOLUTION</p>
<p>3. Renew Resolution for Confinement of Dogs - which requires that all dogs in the County of Wyoming shall be securely confined from dusk to dawn for the period of January 1, 2023 through December 31, 2023, under Article 7, Section 122 of the New York State Agriculture and Markets Law.</p>		<p>Motion: Kehl Ayes: 8 Noes: Absent: 1 Jacoby</p>	<p>Carried: XXX Defeated: Referred to: *RESOLUTION</p>
<p>4. FYI</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Lollypop Farm Certificate of Completion for the completion of the Dog Control Officer Seminar, “Handling the Challenges of Animal Control,” sponsored by Lollypop Farm and the NYS Dept. of Ag. & Markets on September 13 & 14, 2022 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ <u>Animal Control Assistant, D. Klump</u> ○ <u>Laborer (Per Diem), S. Goodell</u> 		<p>Motion: Ayes: Noes: Absent:</p>	<p>Carried: Defeated: Referred to:</p>
11:00 AM Soil & Water w/A. Fagan & J. Kelly			
<p>1. Review Ag. District 2 results</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Resolution to open 30 day review 		<p>Motion: Brick Ayes: 8 Noes: Absent: 1 Jacoby</p>	<p>Carried: XXX Defeated: Referred to: *RESOLUTION</p>

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2. General Update:			
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> A general update was provided on other Soil & Water projects Fish lunkers have been installed in several locations on the Wiscoy Creek. 		Motion: Ayes: Noes: Absent:	Carried: Defeated: Referred to:
County Forestlands w/			
1. Discussion: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Fourteen (14) DMAP permits issued to Wyoming County to help control the deer population on county forestlands. How to go about distribution? 	<i>The committee unanimously decided to give them to Veteran Services for distribution to our Veterans.</i>	Motion: Roche Ayes: 8 Noes: Absent: 1 Jacoby	Carried: XXX Defeated: Referred to: APPROVED
Ag. & Farmland Protection w/ J. Brick			
1. Working on applications for the next round of Purchase of Development Rights (PDR).		Motion: Ayes: Noes: Absent:	Carried: Defeated: Referred to:
Fair Association w/M. Roche			
1. 2022 Fair update: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Some informal statistics were provided... 		Motion: Ayes: Noes: Absent:	Carried: Defeated: Referred to:

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11:15 AM Cooperative Extension w/A. Griffith			
1. General Update: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 2023 County Appropriation request review <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ 4% over 2022 request ○ 8% over 2022 actual ○ Increase is due to staff wage increases ○ Fuel costs ○ Hard to compete with Private Sector ○ Seeing a lot of poaching by non-profits ○ Inflation 		Motion: Ayes: Noes: Absent:	Carried: Defeated: Referred to:
Conservation w/			
	<i>~Nothing to Report~</i>	Motion: Ayes: Noes: Absent:	Carried: Defeated: Referred to:
Dairy Industry w/			
	<i>~Nothing to Report~</i>	Motion: Ayes: Noes: Absent:	Carried: Defeated: Referred to:
Green Energy Committee w/M. Roche			
1. <u>Fall NYSAC Conf. Resolution:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Resolution in support of Legislation to Establish the Resilient New York Revolving Loan Program and the Resilient New York Revolving Loan Fund 		Motion: Granger Ayes: 8 Noes: Absent: 1 Jacoby	Carried: XXX Defeated: Referred to: * RESOLUTION
Brett Hastings, former Town of Eagle Supervisor, currently working for AES, owners of the Wethersfield and Eagle Wind Projects would like to attend the 11/29/22 November Ag. and Green Energy Committee to make a presentation on the company's solar projects.			

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<i>Chairwoman Ryan, T/Warsaw requested an Executive Session, At 11:41AM there was a motion by Supervisor Kehl to enter an executive session to discuss the proposed acquisition of real property, but only when publicity would substantially affect the value thereof. This was seconded by Supervisor Roche and all voted aye. Board Clerk Ketchum remained. At 11:51 AM there was a motion by Supervisor Granger to end the executive session and continue the regular meeting. This was seconded by Supervisor Kehl and all voted aye.</i>			

Signature of Committee Chairman: **p/B. Becker & M. Roche** (minutes prepared by C. Ketchum).

Next Agriculture Committee Meeting scheduled for **Wednesday, October 26, 2022 @ 10:30 AM.**

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