

PENINSULA & AREA AGRICULTURAL COMMISSION
ZOOM MEETING
THURSDAY MARCH 10, 2022 7:00 pm

1. Adoption of ZOOM Minutes: FEBRUARY 10, 2022
2. Treasurer's Report
3. **SPEAKER'S BUREAU:**
 - Paige Erickson, HAT: Hedgerow Project (tentative)
4. **AGRICULTURAL ISSUES: NEW**
 - a) 304 Walton Road – Additional Residence for Farm Use – Saanich Referral
5. **AGRICULTURAL ISSUES: CURRENT (updates)**
 - a) Saanich Farm Worker Housing Policy Update – Pierre Iachietti
 - b) Hedgerow Project with HAT– Robin/Bev/Max & Paige Erickson (see#3) - attachment
 - c) C. Saanich OCP - March 16 Focus Session at Saanich Fairgrounds (info attached)
 - d) Drainage sub-committee – Term of Reference Pending (attachments)
 - e) Water Update – Mike Doehnel
6. **COMMENTS, UPDATES, CONCERNS RE FARMING OPERATIONS**
7. **CORRESPONDENCE:**
 - a) Letter to C. Saanich & Saanich re Drainage Committee
 - b) Letter to Municipalities asking for support to recommend FIRB increase poultry prices
 - c) Letter to CRD Water Commission urging response to enquiry from May 2019
8. **OTHER BUSINESS**
 - a) Vancouver Island Agriculture Adaptation Group – Bob Maxwell
 - b) PAAC Membership
 - c) PAAC Annual Report – **Sub-committee Chair Reports to be submitted**
9. **Upcoming Events / Webinars**
 - Central Saanich OCP Focus Meeting – March 16, 2pm, Saanich Fairgrounds
10. **Next Meeting** – Thursday, April 14, 2022

Parking Lot:

- T-5 Slip 2020 & 2021 - interest from GIC
- Grape & Fruit Atlas
- 50th Celebration of ALR 2023
- Appointment of new representative from Minister's Office
- Agriculture in the Classroom – pending end of COVID restrictions
- Water Rate Variations – response from CRD Water Commission
- Increase in poultry costs to reflect rising cost of feed & other expenses