



**Township of Cramahe Agricultural Advisory Committee**

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**Date: January 15, 2025**

**Time: 9:00 am**

**Location: Council Chambers**

Members Present: Joe Banbury  
Matt McComb  
Lisa Meekes  
Victoria Heffernan  
Sandra Arthur

Members Absent: Steve Lipsett  
Ed Van Egmond

Staff Present: Janet Newall

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**1. MEETING DETAILS**

In Person - Town Hall

1 Toronto Street - 3rd Floor

**2. CALL TO ORDER**

Chair MATT MCCOMB called the meeting to order at 9:05am.

**3. CONFIRMATION OF AGENDA**

**Moved By** Sandra Arthur

**Seconded By** Lisa Meekes

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT** the Agricultural Committee approve the agenda as ammended to include addition of Burn Permit Verbal Update under Item 6.

**Carried**

**4. ADOPTION OF MINUTES**

**Moved By** Lisa Meekes

**Seconded By** Sandra Arthur

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT** the Agricultural Committee approve the minutes from October 10, 2024 as amended to remove v from N.Newton.

**Carried**

**5. DISCLOSURES OF PECUNIARY INTEREST**

None

**6. ITEMS FOR INFORMATION**

**6.1 Addendum- Burn Permit Fee Update**

Verbal update from J. Newall in regard to new burn permit fee and farmers exemption with FBR number.

Confirmed farming or Aggregate properties with FBR number (Farm Business Registration Number) are exempt from the annual \$30 burn permit fee however a permit is still required. Questions on exemptions can be directed to Fire Chief Matt Halmasy as needed.

**7. BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES**

**7.1 Education & Information Partnering**

***\*Old Business\****

Committee to further discuss 2025 project of Education and Information Partnering.

Committee discussion around types of events for 2025, potential to host education booth which may include interactive demos like corn shucking, demo trailer, milking demo and grain table at the following:

Apple Blossom (End of May)

Touch a Truck. (End of August-JN to confirm date)

Lisa M brought copies of "Real Dirt" resource digest which can be purchased for events (100 copies \$150)

Website update on Aggregate landing page will also be deferred until decision on website platform made after 2025 Budget approval.

Committee also discussed potential to have a on category dedicated to local farmers within the business directory.

**8. CONFIRMATION OF NEXT MEETING**

The next meeting scheduled for March 18, 2025

**9. ADJOURNMENT**

**Moved By** Lisa Meekes

**Seconded By** Sandra Arthur

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT** the Agricultural Committee adjourn the meeting at 10:06am

**Carried**

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Chair; Board Secretary