

Meeting Minutes  
Durham Agricultural Commission  
September 9, 2024

Commission members present – Bryan Cassidy, Alberto Manalo, Ellen Karelitz, Dan Winans, Ray LaRoche, Dave Langley, Tom DeCapo, Holly Philbrick, Lee Alexander, Theresa Walker

Commission members absent – Anton Bekkerman, John Carroll, Curtis Springer

Others Present: Sally Tobias, Al Howland, Michael Behrendt, Judith Spang, Paul Rasmussen

I. New Business

- A. Housing Commission Presentation – Tobias shared information from the Housing Needs Assessment and solicited feedback from Ag Comm members. The Commission is interested in hearing from residents about the types of new housing they would like to see in town and the types they do not want. A discussion followed about potential zoning changes to enable workforce housing, the types of housing needed and where that housing could be located, the need to define who the workforce is that is seeking housing, and the Ag Comm's interest in preserving agricultural land from development for use now and in the future.
- B. Minutes of the August meeting – Winans moved to accept the minutes as presented. Manalo seconded the motion. The motion passed.
- C. Farm Day Recap – The group deemed Farm Day a success due to the large number of attendees. Next year we need clickers to count the number of people attending sites, and demonstrations of activities at Ray's farm at prescribed times.

- II. Adjourn – The meeting adjourned at 8:55pm.