

Minutes

Agriculture and Agri-Food Advisory Committee

September 14, 2022 Electronic Meeting

Members: J. Bartley, M. Bhim, S. Dhir, A. Eek, K. Empringham, J. Pegg,

J. Tong, B. Wills

Staff: C. Banfield, T. Cline, T. Corkovic, C. Goodeve, S. Malcic,

R. McPhail, M. Hassanali, J. Wheatle, I. Soneji

A. Call to Order

The York Region Agriculture and Agri-Food Advisory Committee meeting was called to order at 4:03 p.m. with Councillor Eek as Chair.

B. Disclosures of Interest

None

C. Presentations

C.1 Agriculture and Agri-Food Strategy - Staff Update

The Committee received the presentation by Meena Hassanali, Rural and Agri-Food Business Development Specialist and Tony Corkovic, Marketing and Communications Specialist regarding Agriculture and Agri-Food Strategy - Staff Update.

C.2 Update on Farm 911 - The Emily Project

The Committee received the presentation by Jonathan Wheatle, Director, Economic Strategy regarding the Update on Farm 911 - The Emily Project.

D. Deputations

D.1 Significant Wildlife Habitat

The Committee received the deputation by Lyndsay Cartwright, Senior Research Analyst on behalf of the Toronto Region Conservation Authority.

E. Communications

E.1 Council Decision - 2021 Agriculture and Agri-Food Strategy Update - June 30, 2022

The Committee received the communication regarding the Council decision on the 2021 Agriculture and Agri-Food Strategy Update dated June 30, 2022.

F. Other Business

F.1 Member Roundtable Updates

Members had the opportunity to share ongoing initiatives and updates related to the Agriculture and Agri-Food industry.

F.2 Agriculture and Agri-Food Advisory Committee Recruitment for Next Term

Staff provided an update on the citizen member recruitment process for next term noting that members would be notified when the application is available online.

G. Adjournment

The York Region Agriculture and Agri-Food Advisory Committee meeting adjourned at 4:57 p.m.