



# AGRICULTURAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE AGENDA

Tuesday, July 27, 2021

Meeting will be Held Online via ZOOM

## AGENDA

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**CALL TO ORDER** 3:30 pm

### AGENDA

1. Adoption of the Agenda

### DELEGATION

2. Chris Hergesheimer, One Straw Society  
Upcoming Food Systems Snapshot project and Food Systems Action and Planning Committee

### MINUTES

3. Agricultural Advisory Committee Meeting Minutes of May 25, 2021 (*Receipt and Adoption*) Pages 1 - 2

### BUSINESS ARISING FROM MINUTES AND UNFINISHED BUSINESS

### REPORTS

### NEW BUSINESS

4. Evolution of the Agricultural Advisory Committee

### NEXT MEETING

### ADJOURNMENT

**SUNSHINE COAST REGIONAL DISTRICT**

**AGRICULTURAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE**

**May 25, 2021**

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MINUTES FROM THE AGRICULTURAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING HELD  
ONLINE ELECTRONICALLY VIA ZOOM

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<b>PRESENT:</b>	Chair	David Morgan
	Members	Raquel Kolof Barbara Seed Erin Dutton Gerald Rainville
<b>ALSO PRESENT:</b>	Electoral Area F Director	Mark Hiltz (Non-Voting Board Liaison)
	Electoral Area E Director	Donna McMahon (Non-Voting Board Liaison)
	GM, Planning & Community Development Planner 1/Senior Planner	Ian Hall Julie Clark
	ALC Application 61646 (SCRD ALR00015)	Darrell Zbeetnoff (Guest)
	ALC Application 61646 Representatives	Chris Danroth (Guest) Geoff Hughes-Games (Guest)
	Recording Secretary	Genevieve Dixon
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<b>REGRETS:</b>	Members	Paul Nash Faye Kiewitz Jon Bell

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*David Morgan assumed the role of Chair for this meeting.*

**CALL TO ORDER** 3:32 p.m.

**AGENDA** The agenda was adopted as received

**MINUTES**

**Recommendation No. 1** AAC Meeting Minutes of April 27, 2021

The Agricultural Advisory Committee recommended that the meeting minutes of April 27, 2021 be approved as presented.

**REPORTS**ALC Application 61646 (SCRD ALR00015)

Key points of discussion:

- Staff introduced report to the committee and corrected typographical error in report – correct application number is 61641.
- Final soil assessment report was received by staff on May 21, 2021. No material changes from the draft report.
- Agricultural Land Commission (ALC) regulation defines fill.
- Asphalt is considered a prohibited fill by the ALC.

Regarding the property, the applicant stated:

- Two separate berms on the property hold all the salvaged top soil from the fill sites
- The top of one berm is growing garlic, the other cleared areas is growing various types of vegetables, a large chicken run with 100 chickens and pigs in another area.
- The applicant noted the fill that was put in was screened and sized road mulch and the cover was heated-in-place asphalt cover. The hard surface is needed for the greenhouse
- the fill was carefully chosen, purchase receipts can be provided.  
Five shipping containers on site used for storage.

The applicant's agrologist noted:

- Provided an overview of the methods for soil / draining analysis.
- In their professional opinion the fill is an acceptable use for the site
- The purpose of the soil analysis was confirm agricultural capability, not provide nutrient management planning
- The purpose of the drainage comments was to provide a conceptual plan for draining the property, not an implementation plan or regulatory review. Further catchment ponds are possible.
- Fill area is around 3-4% of the site.
- In the winter a sub drainage plan could buffer for storm water flow for a perennial crop and that will improve the growth into the summer. Drainage would be a drought-proofing mechanism. Water could be used that comes off the asphalt pad.

**Recommendation No. 2**     *ALC Application 61646 (SCRD ALR00015)*

The Agricultural Advisory Committee recommends the SCRD receive more information from the applicant regarding ALC Application 61646 (SCRD ALR00015).

**NEXT MEETING**     June 22, 2021

**ADJOURNMENT**     5:00 p.m.