

Minutes Agricultural Commission
January 20th, 2026 7:00 pm Town Hall 2nd floor

Meeting called to order by J. Augur at 7:08pm

Roll call Randy McLean member (present), Bob Miller member (absent), Melizza Dziurgot member (present), Matt Dziurgot alternate (present), Susan Cummings alternate (present), Warren Herzog alternate (absent), Hilary Lisowski Miller member (absent) Jessica Augur member (present).

Seating of alternates: Matt D. seated for Hilary M., Susan C. seated for Bob M.

Election of Officers:

Jessica A. made a motion to nominate Randy McLean for Chair, 2nd by Melissa D. All ayes, one abstaining (Randy). Motion passed unanimously.

Randy M. made a motion to nominate Melissa D. for Vice Chair, 2nd by Susan C. All ayes, one abstaining (Melissa). Motion approved unanimously.

Chairman McLean took back nominating duties.

Melissa D. made a motion to nominate Jessica A. for secretary, 2nd by Matt D. All ayes, one abstaining (Jessica) motion passed unanimously.

Melissa D. made a motion to approve the agenda as presented 2nd by Jessica A., all ayes motion approved unanimously.

No public comment

Motion to approve the minutes from the December 9th 2025 meeting made by Matt D, 2nd by Susan C, all ayes, one abstaining (Melissa D) as she was not present for that meeting. Motion passed unanimously.

Old Business: None

New Business:

Map Farm Project grant submission due.

Quotes received from two printing companies thus far. Letters of support received from Town of Durham CT Conservation Commission, pending letters from Durham Ct Historical Society, Durham Ct Economic Development Commission, Durham CT 250 Committee.

Melissa D will ask the Middlesex County Farm Bureau for a letter.

Randy M will send communications to Durham CT Farmers for letters of support. Chair McLean shared copies of Durham Farm Map “to do” punch list and spread sheet of confirmed properties interested in participating who have given their information for publication, compiled by Secretary Augur.

Work on budget for grant application, specifically Durham Farm Map unveiling event-discussion on event spaces, questions on a need for tent or indoor accommodations, and how many maps should be published considerations for Durham Fair and having plenty for then. Discussion on busy season of farmers with fairs, showings in relation to a map unveiling celebration. Jessica A suggested the Ag Commission conduct a survey be sent to all Durham Map Participants on timing of event/ preferences. Jessica A also communicated a new email to be used as Secretary to be DurhamAgSec@gmail.com .

Discussion of a logo for Durham Ct Agricultural Commission. Susan C proposed she could work on a logo and send ideas to members for input. Discussion on community involvement, students helping for events, etc.

Motion to adjourn made by Matt D. 2nd by Melissa D. Meeting adjourned at 8:01 pm.