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**Minutes**  
**Special Meeting of the Easton Agricultural Commission**  
**Monday, March 23, 2020 – 5pm**  
**Held Virtually Via Zoom Video Conference**  
<https://zoom.us/j/906704254>  
**Meeting ID: 906 704 254**

In attendance: Jean Stetz-Puchalski, Irv Silverman, Matt Oricchio, Lori Cochran, Victor Alfandre and Denise Hebner  
 Absent: Sage Raga

I: Meeting called to order: 5:07pm

II: Minutes from Last Meeting: Tabled until the regularly scheduled meeting on April 8

III. Public Comment: none

IV: Updates & Reports:

- Discussed State of CT Dept. of Ag: Covid-19 Preparedness, messaging and Planning -- implications and opportunities for Easton Farmers.
- Outreach to Farmers – best practices and regular communication to drive them to the Town website. Lori and Victor will research and prepare recommendations for Farm and farm stands to help them with preparedness. Jean will continue individual outreach to farms. Jean and Denise will research and post notices from State.
- Motion to funnel information on Ag Com portal on Town website and communicate to Easton detailed information of what farm and farm stands are open with contact information, so people know before they go as part of Covid -19 preparedness. Jean will continue to update the First Selectman who will communicate that farmers are deemed essential businesses under Governor Lamont's Executive Order Stay Home Stay Safe. Motion - Victor Alfandre, Second, Jean Stetz-Puchalski. Motion passed unanimously.
- Team will continue to monitor changes in messaging from State of CT and update Town, including resources on Covid 19- preparedness for farms.
- Discussed outreach to other Town committees and Commissions on issues relating to Agriculture

V Correspondence – none

VI New Business:

V. Adjournment: 6:19pm. Motion – Matt Oricchio. Second Victor Alfandre.

Submitted by Lori L Cochran *Lori L Cochran*