

**Minutes of the Community Agricultural Commission
District North Saanich - 1620 Mills Road
Wednesday, March 11, 2020 at 1:30 p.m.**

PRESENT:	Vice- Chair	I. Fancey
	Members	D. Chown
		M. Hughes
		J. Millis
		J. Rashleigh
ABSENT:	Members	M. Aylard
		E. McMurphy
		S. Rowed
		M. Soellner
ATTENDING:	Council Liaison	S. Stock
	Community Planning Commission Liaison	J. Kingham
	Planner	C. Rimell
	Administration	C. Gotto

The Chair called the meeting to order at 1:35 p.m.

1 WELCOME AND INTRODUCTION OF MEMBERS

Councillor Stock assumed the role of Chair.

2 ELECTION OF CHAIR AND VICE CHAIR

Councillor Stock called for nominations for the position of Chair.

MOVED BY: D. Chown
SECONDED BY: I. Fancey

8- CAC That Susan Rowed be nominated for the position of Chair.

CARRIED

Councillor Stock called a second and third time for further nominations for Chair. As there were none, Susan Rowed was declared Chair.

Councillor Stock called for nominations for the position of Vice-Chair.

MOVED BY: J. Rashleigh
SECONDED BY: D. Chown

9- CAC That Irfane Fancey be nominated for the position of Vice-Chair.

CARRIED

Councillor Stock called a second and third time for further nominations for Vice-Chair. As there were none, Irfane Fancey was declared Vice-Chair.

Irfane Fancey assumed the role of Vice-Chair.

3 APPROVAL OF AGENDA

MOVED BY: J. Millis
SECONDED BY: D. Chown

10- CAC That the agenda be approved as circulated.

CARRIED

4 ADOPTION OF MINUTES

a) Minutes of the meeting held January 8, 2020

MOVED BY: D. Chown
SECONDED BY: M. Hughes

11- CAC That the minutes of the meeting held January 8, 2020 be approved.

CARRIED

5 REFERRALS

a) **ALC Information Update and Policy Intentions Paper: Residential Flexibility in the ALR**
(Referred by : Council for comments)

MOVED BY: D. Chown
SECONDED BY: J. Millis

12- CAC The Community Agricultural Commission supports the Ministry of Agriculture's proposed Policy Intentions Paper: Residential Flexibility in the ALR Land, in its endeavor to support the core ALR policy objectives to preserve food production capacity of the ALR and to encourage agriculture as the priority of ALR land.

CARRIED

The motion was abandoned

MOVED BY: J. Rashleigh
SECONDED BY: M. Hughes

13- CAC The Community Agricultural Commission supports the intention paper proposal in principle and encourages the ALC to ensure that ALR land is used for human food production through regulations and/ or incentives.

CARRIED

MOVED BY: D. Chown
SECONDED BY: J. Millis

14- CAC Although the Community Agricultural Commission have supported the intentions paper in principle, the CAC recommends to Council that additional study and consideration needs to occur. The CAC encourages North Saanich to introduce additional bylaws that ensure our ALR land encourages human food production, through bylaws that are informed by on the ground realities of farming.

CARRIED

6 NEW BUSINESS

a) Appointment of liaison to Community Planning Commission

The Commission, by unanimous consent, appointed Irfane Fancey as liaison to the Community Planning Commission.

b) Appointment of liaison to the Community Stewardship Commission

The Commission, by unanimous consent, moved this item to the next Community Agricultural Commission meeting.

7 ADJOURNMENT

The Commission, by unanimous consent, adjourned the meeting at 3:53 p.m.

CERTIFIED CORRECT

APPROVED AND CONFIRMED

Irfane Fancey
Vice-Chair

Curt Kingsley
Director, Corporate Services