



Putnam County  
Agricultural & Farmland Protection Board  
841 Fair Street, Carmel, NY 10512

**Putnam County Agricultural & Farmland Protection Board (AFPB) Meeting**

**Meeting Minutes: Wednesday, July 30, 2025, 10:15 am – 11:15 am**

Attendees:

Ag Board Members: Christine Nastasi, Cassandra Roth, Ruby Koch-Fienberg, Trish McLoughlin, Elizabeth Ryder, Nicole Scott, Dave Vickery,

Virtual: Joni Lanza, Erin Crowley

Public: Sofia Harrison

- Called to order at 10:19 am
- Reviewed minutes of 06/25/25 meeting. Accepted.
- Putnam County Legislature meeting July 1, 2025, re: PC AFBP Agricultural District Inclusion recommendations: Legislature accepted the AFBP's recommendation. See attached Resolutions #184 and #185
- Putnam County Agricultural and Farmland Protection Plan: the Ag Board was asked to review the 2004 Ag Plan and recommend areas that need updating.
- Putnam County Fair and 4-H Showcase recap: the Ag Board shared a space with the Farm Bureau, the SWCD and the Putnam Valley Grange. It was recommended that we have an interactive display next year. Some suggestions were: a planting activity, a sensory activity, goat petting, plant sprouts etc. "Ask a Farmer" was also discussed.
- Agricultural and Farmland information: there is a room in the Barn at the Lower Park that has multiple boxes and displays pertaining to the Ag Board, SWCD and Boscobel. Christine offered to go through it and inventory what is pertinent to the Ag Board.
- Soil and Water Conservation District Chair: welcome to the new Chair - Cassandra Roth
- 2025 upcoming meetings: August 27, September 24, October 29, Nov. 19 & Dec. 17.

- Resolution 139: the Ag Board members were asked to review Resolution 139 and suggest changes. We will gather these suggestions and submit them in a Memorandum.
- Budget: a list of expected Ag Board expenses for 2026 will be compiled and submitted; Expenses for: design and printing of flyers; incidentals for Farmer Potluck dinners; creation of displays for events, especially for the 4-H Showcase; etc.
- Adjourned: 11:22 am

Next meeting: **Wednesday, August 27, 2025 @ 10:15 am**