

## MICHIGAN COMMISSION OF AGRICULTURE AND RURAL DEVELOPMENT

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**MARCH 30, 2016**

TENTATIVE AGENDA – Revised 3/18/16 (2)

- 9:00 a.m.     1.     **Call to Order and Roll Call**
2.     **Approval of Agenda (action item)**
3.     **Approval of Minutes** from the February 24, 2016, Commission of Agriculture and Rural Development Meeting (**action item**)
4.     **Next Scheduled Meeting** (information only)
- May 18, Location: TBD
- 9:05 a.m.     5.     **Commissioner Comments and Travel (action item)**
- 9:15 a.m.     6.     **Director’s Report**
- 9:25 a.m.     7.     **Public Comment on Agenda Items**  
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- 9:35 a.m.     8.     **Grants Program Introduction:** Peter Anastor, Division Director, Agriculture Development Division (information only)
- 9:45 a.m.     9.     **Great Lakes Pork and Clemens Food Group:** Commissioner Fred Walcott and Earnest A. Meily, Jr., Vice President of Human Resources, Clemens Food Group (information only)
- 10:15 a.m.    10.    **Uptown Reinvestment and Flint Food Works/Flint Farmers Market:** Commissioner Dru Montri and Sean Gartland, Culinary Director, Flint Food Works/Flint Farmers Market (information only)
- 10:45            **Break**

- 10:55 a.m. 11. **Road and Trucking Concerns** (information only)
- Michigan Farm Bureau
  - Bill Shreck, Community Outreach Program Manager, and Rebecca Curtis, Bridge Management Engineer, Michigan Department of Transportation
- 11:15 a.m. 12. **Township Zoning:** Ryan Hunter, H & H Farms; Rob Richardson, Richardson Farms; and Scott Oswalt, Oswalt Family Farms (information only)
- 11:45 a.m. 13. **Operational Services and Central Licensing Division Overview:** David Bruce, Division Director, Operational Services and Central Licensing (information only)
- 12:05 p.m. 14. **Accela Project Update:** Thomas Benner, Systems Manager, Operational Services and Central Licensing Division (information only)
- 12:25 p.m. 15. **Michigan Agriculture Month:** Jennifer Holton, Director of Communications (information only)
- 12:35 p.m. 16. **Legislative Update:** Matt Blakely, Director, Policy Development and Legislative Affairs (information only)
- 12:45 p.m. 17. **Commissioner Issues**
- 12:55 p.m. 18. **Public Comment**  
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- 1:05 p.m. 19. **Adjourn (action item)**