

**Agricultural Commission**  
**August 19, 2008**



Meeting in room 104, 2 Jabish St., Lawrence Memorial Hall

Member present: G. Adzima  
Associate Members: S. Gay, A. Page

Absent Members: H. Guardenier, W. Shattuck, J. Clements, J. Gillan, R. Reidy, D. Beaudette  
Visitor: Dave Fournier

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**No quorum, informational meeting:**

Grace Adzima gave an update on the Antique Tractor Show. The weather was good and it turned out very nice. Grace had a table set up with agricultural commission information to hand out.

Equine Association – a group has been meeting since their initial introduction in March 2008, they have met to promote the horse industry. They will be a member of the Granby Regional Chapter. They are working on promoting safety on the streets for horse riding.

Grace would like to get the forestry people together next year (2009). Dave Fournier stated his interest in forestry.

Alan Page is meeting Sept. 19 at Umass regarding bio-fuel. He went over his opinion of wood burning use and land use activities.

Grace read part of an article in the Republican Newspaper regarding dairy farms, and some exclusion from taxes for them.

Signs for agriculture – will be discussed at a future meeting.

Right to farm should be reviewed again. It would be of interest to find out what type of farms are running in Western Massachusetts.

information minutes submitted by S. Gay