

## **Agricultural Commission Meeting 10/6/22**

Present: Anna, Ed, Bi-sek, Sadie, Erin

### **Emerald Ash Borer**

Discussion about the emerald ash borer infestation found on a tree on South Central Street. The Ag Comm will work together with the Plainfield Tree Alliance to manage this invasive beetle.

It is still unclear how it will be dealt with. Ed noted that pesticides are not effective due to the insects' mobility, and mentioned that the PTA would prefer not to use pesticides. Anna will mark the tree, which will likely be taken down.

**Action items:** Anna will mark tree and attend the PTA meeting on 10/17.

### **Farmland of Local Importance**

It was agreed unanimously to sign on with this project of the USDA Natural Resources Conservation Service and the American Farmland Trust. Information about the program can be found at [farmlandinfo.org](http://farmlandinfo.org), as well as on the accompanying info sheet.

### **Sound Cannon Letter**

The letter that was drafted to be sent to everyone involved with the complaints about the sound cannon in use this summer at Wolf Tree Farm was discussed. It was decided that information would be added to the letter that outlines the process for residents to connect with the appropriate town boards for noise complaints.

Anna would like the letter to be made public, in addition to sending it to those who were directly involved. Sadie and Bi-sek suggested rewording it for publication in the Post.

**Action items:** Erin will make suggested additions to the letter for the smaller group and reword it for the Post.