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## LOWER CONNECTICUT RIVER VALLEY REGIONAL AGRICULTURE COUNCIL

January 20, 2022

### Members:

Chester: Luc Bouffard  
Clinton: Richard Martin  
Cromwell:  
Deep River  
Durham: Warren Herzig  
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Old Lyme: Baylee Drown  
Old Saybrook: Kristy Benson  
Portland: Alan Fenrow  
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### Staff:

Janice Ehle/Meyer

### Guests:

Elizabeth Moore

### Meeting

The meeting was a Zoom call.

### 1) Approval of Minutes

The meeting was called to order at 6:30.

A motion was made by Warren Herzig and seconded by Alan Fenrow to approve the minutes from the December 16, 2021 meeting. Luc abstained from voting. Motion passed.

## 2) Public Comments

No public comments.

## 3) Presentation

CT Farmland Trust, Elizabeth Moore

Elizabeth Moore talked about the CT Farmland Trust program explaining how it works and how RAC might work with them for the RAC no-till grant.

## 4) Website-

John Halfinger asked everyone to check the Knowyourfarmers.org website to make sure that the information is correct concerning their farm.

## 5) Farm Viability Grant

A. Richard talked about the options for the roller crimper with Golliath, 6' - \$5,150, 8' - \$6,000 with a 3 point hitch. These are both available.

B. Warren said that Chickawilli Farm has an 8- or 10-year-old no-till drill from PA that he bought used.

C. There was a discussion about the weight of the drill.

D. Items to add to the drill are:

- acre meter
- light on back
- tow chains
- tips for handling hydraulics
- tool box
- grease gun

Janice had to leave meeting at 8:00 and Alan Fenrow took over for taking minutes for the remaining part of the meeting.

The next meeting will be on Thursday, February 17, 2022 at 7:00 pm.

Respectfully submitted,  
Janice Ehle/Meyer