## Public Hearing Annual Agricultural District Inclusion February 18, 2021

The Public Hearing on requests of inclusion of viable agricultural land in agricultural districts received within the designated time period in 2021 was called to order by the Chair at 10:09 A.M. Six Legislative members were present with Legislators Monell, Mullen, and Standinger being absent.

There were nine people in attendance.

The Clerk read the legal notice as published in the official newspapers.

Megan Griffiths, Agricultural Development Specialist of the Economic Development & Planning Department spoke. "This year for the agricultural district inclusions, people could request their land be included from January 2<sup>nd</sup> – January 31<sup>st</sup>, 2021. This year, we had four requests for addition; three of these were new parcels with new land being added and one is a newly formed parcel. For the newly formed parcel, this land was already included in the agricultural district, but after checking with NYS Ag and Markets, they would like us to put the new pin on the list of agricultural district inclusions. As a result, there will be just over 146 acres of viable agricultural land added to the agricultural districts. These parcels are located in the Towns of Barton, Candor, and Newark Valley and will result in the addition of land in the Spencer Agricultural District #1 and North-Tioga Agricultural District #3."

There being no further comments, the hearing was adjourned at 10:11 A.M.