



Town of Simsbury

933 HOPMEADOW STREET

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SIMSBURY, CONNECTICUT 06070

Thomas F. Cooke - Director of Administrative Services

BOARD OF SELECTMEN MEETING AGENDA SUBMISSION FORM

1. **Date of submission:** June 27, 2013

2. **Date of Board Meeting:** July 8, 2013

3. **Individual or Entity making the submission:** Richard L. Sawitzke

4. **Action requested of the Board of Selectmen (Acceptance of gift, creation of reserve, approval of contract, information only, etc. Be as specific as possible with respect to the desired action of the Board.):**
The Individual or Entity making the submission requests that the Board of Selectmen:

Approve modification of Agriculture License Agreement for Dewey Farm to land on east side of Terry's Plain Road to 3 years, with (2) 1 year extensions, per request of Ryan Family Farm, to which BOS approved License on May 29, 2013.

5. **Individual(s) responsible for submission (Please include complete contact information. The identified individual(s) should be prepared to present information to the Board of Selectmen at the Board Meeting.):**

Richard L. Sawitzke, Town Engineer
6. **Summary of Submission (Include in your summary (i) relevant dates and timelines; (ii) parties involved; (iii) a description of financial terms and conditions specifically identifying the financial exposure/commitment of the Town of Simsbury; (iv) whether or not contracts, licenses and other legal documents have been reviewed by the Town's counsel; and (v) other information that will inform the Board of Selectmen's consideration of your submission. Include any additional information in an attached memorandum.):**

- i. Award modification wants to meet the planting season for 2013.
- ii. Town of Simsbury and License, Ryan Family Farm.
- iii. NA
- iv. Document was previously reviewed by and approved by Town Counsel
- v. Letter of June 27, 2013

7. **Description of documents included with submission (All documents must be in final form and signed by the appropriate party.):**

The following documents are included with this submission and attached hereto:

Letter from Town Engineer to Board of Selectmen, dated 6/27/13



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Engineering Department

June 27, 2013

Board of Selectmen
Simsbury Town Offices
933 Hopmeadow Street
Simsbury, CT 06070-0495

Subject: Ryan Agriculture License – Dewey Farm

Dear Selectmen:

Mr. Ryan appreciates our offering an Agriculture License Agreement to him for use of the Dewey Farm. However, he has expressed concern with only a 1 year term because of the time needed to convert the farm over to organic practice use, and to recover the associated costs.

After discussing this with him and Tom Cooke, it is proposed to have a 3 year term, with two 1 year extensions, for land on the east side of Terry's Plain Road.

This term is consistent with all other Town Agriculture License Agreements, and provides us the flexibility in resolving the house, and adjacent land uses, issues on the west side of Terry's Plain Road. Therefore, I recommend approval of this modification to your approval of May 29, 2013.

Please contact me if there are any questions.

Sincerely,

Richard L. Sawitzke, P.E.
Town Engineer/Director of Capital Projects