2018 St. Lawrence Proposed Resolutions

Local

-We support a one cent per day monthly surcharge on cell phones or other wireless devices to maintain the emergency 911 center.

State

Agricultural Issues/Agricultural Assessments/p.1

-We support lowering the current \$50,000 eligibility threshold to receive an agricultural assessment for agricultural operations under seven acres.

Agricultural Issues/ Agricultural Outreach Program/ p.10

-We oppose state-level funding to the New York State Agricultural Mediation Program.

Agricultural Issues/ Animal Care/ Animal Cruelty Issues/ p.14

-We do not believe shelter should be defined and included in the animal cruelty statue.

Commodity Issues/ Apiculture/ p.36

--We oppose a standard for "pollinator-friendly" solar arrays.

Commodity Issues/ Brewery and Distillery Issues/ p.39

- -We support alcoholic beverage producers being able to electronically file their tax returns.
- -We oppose a reporting requirement for New York ingredients for farm brewery licenses.

Economic Issues/ Taxes/ Real Property Taxes/ p.81

-We support extending RP-483, the exemption for agricultural buildings

Environmental Issues/ Wildlife Management/ Hunting Issues/ p.109

-We oppose prohibiting the use of unmanned aerial vehicles for hunting of wildlife.

General Issues/ Education/ Post-Secondary Agricultural Education/ p.120

-We support individuals being granted additional CTE agricultural certification if they currently have a certification in one CTE agricultural titles and pass the Agricultural Contest Specialty Test.

General Issues/ State Fiscal and Monetary Policy/ Budget Process Recommendations/ p.135

-We oppose reinstating funding for the New York State Barn Restoration and Preservation Program.

General Issues/ State Fiscal and Monetary Policy/ Tax Code Recommendations/ p.136

-We oppose allowing insurance corporations to receive tax credits for investing in rural business growth funds nor do we support establishing a fund for investment in agriculture and enterprises that create jobs in rural areas.

-We oppose tax credits or other incentives for carbon farming.

National

Section 1/Miscellaneous/156-Litigation/p.38

-We oppose funding for the national Agricultural Mediation Program.

Section 2/ Farm Policy/Farm Program/ 237- National Conservation and Environmental Policy/p.73

-Farmers should not be required to complete all practices described in their CNMP within an EQIP contract period.



After the tour, the group enjoyed dinner at the Barking Dog Saloon in Potsdam.



The 2017 St. Lawrence County Farm Bureau Summer Barbeque at Loomis Quarter Horses in Waddington.

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St. Lawrence County Young Farmers toured Adon Farms, a 4th generation dairy farm in Potsdam, this summer.

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