

Draft Agenda MA Food Policy Council
Friday, July 30, 2021, 9:30 – 11:30 am

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It's a twostep process – register in advance and then receive log in information.

Meeting times are approximate.

- Register in advance for this meeting via Zoom:
<https://us06web.zoom.us/meeting/register/tZwrc-yurj4oGN2bIL0sLkJDNyo8jXsaOZt6>
- After registering, you will receive a confirmation email containing information about joining the meeting.

9:30: Call to Order, Acceptance of Minutes (meeting times are approximate)

Officers Reports Commissioner Lebeaux

Bylaws, Council, and Structure Committee: Vice Chair John Waite & Secretary Danah Tench

10:15 Program: *Oyster market challenges during the pandemic: helping growers and processors explore oyster value added potential while also providing opportunities to address food security, Joshua Reitsma, Fisheries and Aquaculture Specialist, Barnstable Cooperative Extension*

10:40 MA Legislature's Food Caucus update: Senator Jo Comerford and Representatives Hannah Kane and Daniel Donahue

10:55 MA Food System Collaborative, Winton Pitcoff, New England Feeding New England, and other topics

11:10 MA Food Policy Council member updates: Council members share priority projects, topics, and issues relevant to their work, the Council, and the MA Local Food Action Plan

Announcements

August 6, 2021 - New England Honey Bee Update, *Lunch and Learn* Series [Details here.](#)

September 17 – October 3, 2021, Eastern States Exposition (The Big E)
<https://www.easternstatesexposition.com/>

October 1, 2021 - New England Honey Bee Update, *Lunch and Learn* Series [Details here.](#)

December 8, 2021, **SAVE THE DATE:** 2021 Massachusetts Food System Forum:
Reconnecting and Rebuilding, Sturbridge, MA

Public Comment

Adjournment

On March 10, 2020, Governor Baker, acting pursuant to the power provided by Chapter 639 of the Acts of 1950 and Section 2A of Chapter 17 of the Massachusetts General Laws, declared a State of Emergency due to the outbreak of the 2019 coronavirus ("COVID-19"). In accordance with the State of Emergency, the Massachusetts Food Policy Council ("MFPC") meetings are being conducted through virtual means to allow real-time public access.