



Long-Term Thinking
for Today's Issues

Stewardship and Policy Committee West

Christian Farmers Federation of Ontario

Notice of Meeting and Agenda

DATE: Wednesday, February 24, 2010 D.V.

TIME: 10:00 A.M. - 3:30 P.M.

PLACE: Woodstock Quality Hotel & Suites
580 Bruin Boulevard
Joe Boyle Room

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*Lunch provided at noon.
Baked goods and coffee
available upon arrival.*

AGENDA

1. **Call to Order**
2. **Review of Agenda**
3. **Minutes and Matters from December 2009** *¹
4. **Provincial Council Update**
 - 4.1 A report on the January Provincial Council meeting.
5. **Green Energy in the Rural Setting**
 - 5.1 A discussion on the approach that is developing in the province.
 - 5.2 The implications of the Samsung deal. *
 - 5.3 A discussion of the possibility of profit sharing for wind power. *
6. **Property Taxation on Solar Panels**
 - 6.1 At this time roof and wall mounted solar panels have no property tax designation. This creates uncertainty for farmers looking at investing. The CFFO takes a stance on the classification of these potential farm improvements. *
7. **Provincial Policy Statement**
 - 7.1 The review of the Provincial Policy Statement on Land Use will be occurring this year. The CFFO will be looking at ways to strengthen the protection of farmland at the provincial level. *
8. **Labelling Issues**
 - 8.1 A discussion on moving the CFFO position forward, either through regulation or market-based solutions to improve consumer knowledge regarding their food selection. *
9. **Business Risk Management Program**
 - 9.1 An update on the progress of the Ontario Agricultural Sustainability Coalition effort for this program. *
10. **An Increase in Capital Cost Allowances**
 - 10.1 Consideration of increases in capital cost allowances for farm operations in the areas of depreciation and succession. *
11. **Miscellaneous**
12. **Next Meeting:** _____, 2010 D.V.

You can help us plan for Lunch and Refreshments, and in preparing handouts, by advising us that you are coming to the meeting.

Please contact the CFFO Guelph office by

NOON, MONDAY, FEBRUARY 22

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In case of inclement weather we will notify those who have pre-registered if the meeting is canceled.

Attendants are asked to keep track of and submit their traveling expenses (mileage) so that reimbursements can be made within a reasonable time frame.

¹ Attachments are mailed to those who attend regularly. A "*" indicates a document has been attached.

The Woodstock Quality Hotel & Suites is located at 580 Bruin Boulevard, just off Highway 401.

In case of emergency, please contact Jenny at 519-820-2971 (cell).

