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Subject: Clark Property support

Good morning,

Chairman Garstka asked me to forward his email.

Kind regards, Christina

One of the tasks of the Ledyard Agricultural Commission was to identify prime and statewide important farmland soils. The purpose was to see what could be done to keep these lands in agriculture.

With private landowners the Town and State can assist with the purchase of the development rights. However the final decision on whether to sell or donate the rights belongs to the landowners.

With public lands, there can be different and sometimes opposing ideas of what should be done with these properties. We, as a Town, can demonstrate our resolve to keep agriculture as a main patch in the fabric of our lives by keeping one of the largest parcels of prime and statewide important soils left in town known as the Clark Property on Route 117 from development. As a Commission, we believe that every consideration should be made to keep this Town owned precious resource in agriculture for future generations.

We are asking that The Mayor, Town Council, Commissions and Committees support the preservation of this property for continued agricultural use.

Bruce P. Garstka, Chairman



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