

Committee: **Agricultural Advisory Committee**

Organization/Sector represented: **London Resident**

Name: **Jeff Lucas**

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Occupation: **Retired Firefighter**

Work experience: **30 years as a Professional Firefighter with Vaughan Fire and Rescue Service. Many other types of employment over the years.**

Education: **Graduated from Seneca College with a Underwater Skills/ Commercial Diving Certificate with High Honours. Attended Seneca College for Aviation and Flight Technology. Attended University of Toronto for Forestry.**

Skills: **Member of the Corporation 5 years: Toronto Waldorf School - Thornhill, ON - Involved in various committees for this independent school. Vice-President 2 years: Vaughan Professional Firefighters Association - Vaughan, ON -Member of the Executive Board and chaired various committees. Executive Member Presently: Blackfriars Neighbourhood Association - Sub-committee member of Communications Group**

Interest reason: **I am very interested in sustainable food production and believe urban agriculture can be a key component of this idea.**

Contributions: **I have been a community advocate in many different types of organizations over the years and hope my experience can be of some assistance.**

Past contributions: **Past Board Member 3 years: Society for Biodynamic Farming and Gardening in Ontario - Guelph, ON -Liaison for the Society with the Guelph Organic Conference. Past Board Member 4 years: Agricultural Renewal Cooperative- Durham, ON -Developed a land-share structure to purchase farm acreage for the cooperative. Founding Member 10 years: Carrville Community Garden- Thornhill, ON - Developed organizational structure and active gardener. Founding Member 5 years: Toronto Waldorf School Farm and Garden Committee- Thornhill, ON - Parent and Community Garden liaison.**

Interpersonal: **I participate in many committees dealing with local, municipal, regional and provincial issues. Therefore, there has been many opportunities for me to deal with people with various skills, knowledge and abilities. It is exciting to use consensus, workshops, community building exercises and many other tools to bring some wonderful ideas to fruition. I hope I have the opportunity to work with this committee to accomplish that.**

Interview interest: **Yes**