

Heritage Farm Commission
Special Meeting
January 11, 2016

The Bolton Heritage Farm Commission held a special meeting on January 11, 2016 at the Notch Road Municipal building. Members in attendance were Chairman Sandra Pierog, Arlene Fiano, Ann Maulucci, Beth Harney and Kathy Aspinall. Building and grounds supervisor John Butrymovich was also present. Bolton residents in attendance were Bonnie Massey.

1. Call to order

Sandra Pierog called the meeting to order at 7:03 P.M.

2. Approval of the Minutes of December 7, 2015

Beth Harney made a motion to accept the minutes as written; Ann Maulucci seconded the motion. The motion passed.

3. Unfinished Business

A. Farm maintenance and repair projects

At the December Heritage Farm Commission meeting Arlene Fiano stated she saw people climbing up the silo. John Butrymovich stated he would put up several signs warning people to stay off and not climb the silo. John also stated he would also put up additional parking signs.

B. Update on barn repairs (post fire)

Sandra Pierog stated the Town of Bolton signed a contract with Rob Proulx. Sandra shared a field report from Nelson Edwards Company Architects LLC with a review of repairs that are to be done. The repairs include dry ice blasting, replacing floor boards, painting of the whole barn and replacing all siding of the barn using western cedar.

C. Discussion of Location of type of Memorial Recognitions

Kathy Aspinall stated she will have more info at the next Commission meeting.

D. Bolton Center Subcommittee (Formerly Vibrant Communities grant) status report

Sandra shared with the Commission that there is a grant available for walkability and bike ability in the center of town. She also stated the board of selectmen put this grant possibility on the agenda.

E. Farmers Market 2016

Sandra is still waiting back from the Agriculture manager.

F. Student/School participation

Nothing at this time

G. Policy for use of the farm by organized groups

Nothing at this time

H. Future use of the Farm House

Sandra indicated to the Commission that the Board of Selectmen held a retreat in December and they discussed bond issues.

I. Winter Faire Results

Sandra stated she has a lot of mugs with the winter scene left over. She asked the Commission if they would like to order more with a summer scene. They all thought that was a good idea. Sandra told the Commission she would look around and show everyone a sample in February.

4. New Business

A. Set Meeting Dates for 2016

The Commission already set the meeting dates for 2016 at the December 2015 meeting

B. Budget Requests for 2016

Sandra asked John Butrymovich about the 2016 budget; John stated the budget request for 2016 is \$25,000 and \$1,500 for Heritage Weekend 2016

C. Heritage Weekend 2016

Nothing at this time

D. Archeological Site Boundaries

Sandra stated she has heard nothing back and is going reach out to Todd Levine.

E. Discussion of Future Grants, Repair Opportunities

Arlene suggested putting signage up at the farm that would tell the story of the Heritage Farm. This would inform the residents of the Bolton as well as anybody else visiting the farm.

5. Adjournment

Arlene Fiano made a motion to adjourn the meeting, Beth Harney seconded the motion.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:53 P.M.

Respectfully Submitted,

Corrine O'Brien

Board Clerk

PLEASE SEE THE MINUTES OF SUBSEQUENT MEETINGS FOR THE APPROVAL OF THESE MINUTES AND ANY CORRECTIONS HERETO.