

Heritage Farm Commission
Regular Meeting
August 7, 2017

The Bolton Heritage Farm Commission held its regular meeting on August 7, 2017 at the Bolton Heritage Farm. Members in attendance were Chairman Sandra Pierog, Arlene Fiano, Beth Harney, Kathy Aspinall, and Ann Maulucci. Building and grounds supervisor John Butrymovich was also present. Alternate Bonnie Massey was also present, along with Bolton resident Ruth Hoffman.

1. Call to order

Sandra called the meeting to order at 7:05 P.M.

2. Approval of minutes of July 10, 2017

July 10, 2017 minutes have the following corrections: Under section 4C “with post and prior slides” should be removed and read “CT Council of land trust”

Item 2 on the agenda for August 7, 2017 meeting should be taken off agenda.

Kathy Aspinall made a motion to approve the July 10, 2017 minutes with the above corrections; Beth seconded the motion. The motion passed.

3. Unfinished Business

A. Farm maintenance and repair projects

John stated that the pine trees that Richard Treat at the last meeting have been trimmed. Highway is doing the mowing around the barn. John also stated a couple old windows were replaced.

Arlene asked John if the porta potty in front of the library would still be available for the farmers market.

John stated he will make sure the porta potty is still there.

Sandra stated that the rocks were removed from the fields where haying is taking place as well as removal of the test pits and filled in.

B. Update on barn repairs, including potential alarm upgrades, foundation, electrical

John stated he was still waiting on Security Technologies for a quote. John will also find out how much it will cost to put lights in the barn area. John stated he is also waiting on upgrade cost first and then he will see if there are available funds to repair the foundation.

C. Heritage Weekend 2017

Sandra stated she is going look into getting help planning Heritage Weekend.

D. Farmers Market 2017

Arlene Fiano brought flyers that are going to be distributed, Arlene also let the Commission where the current signs are for the farmers market and asked where the remaining ones should be placed. Arlene stated she will need help the Monday before the Farmers Market to make a map and know where the vendors and booths will be placed. Arlene told John that she and Jim Cropley will paint the lines on the green. Arlene asked Sandra if Stephen Prout the musician could come to the farmers market. Sandra stated she would contact him. Sandra stated she would email blast all the Commissions and see if any of them would like a table.

E. Update on Fundraising

Sandra stated she cashed in pennies totaling \$89.00. Bringing the porch for pennies total to \$2,001.00 and Rosie’s money to \$1,545.00

F. Discussion of Location of and Type of Memorial Recognitions

Nothing at this time

G. Student/School Participation

Nothing at this time

H. Policy for Use of the Farm by Organized Groups

Nothing at this time

I. Future use of Farm House

Nothing at this time

J. Other

Nothing at this time

4. New Business

A. Discussion of Future Grants and Repair Opportunities

Nothing at this time

B. Farm Update Presentation for Board of Selectmen

Sandra stated that she is going take this presentation before the Selectmen in the next few months.

C. Swap Shop

Sandra stated she heard a lot of discussion about having a swap shop where people can drop off useable items and other people could swap out for things they need. Sandra and other Commission members thought it was a great idea but just not an ideal location at the farm.

5. Adjournment

Beth Harney made a motion to adjourn the meeting, Arlene Fiano seconded the motion. The motion passed and the meeting was adjourned at 8:24 P.M.

Respectfully Submitted,

Corrine O'Brien
Board Clerk

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