Heritage Farm Commission Regular Meeting February 6, 2017

The Bolton Heritage Farm Commission held its regular meeting on February 6, 2017 at the Notch Road Municipal building. Members in attendance were Chairman Sandra Pierog, Arlene Fiano, Ann Maulucci and Kathy Aspinall. Building and grounds supervisor John Butrymovich was also present. Alternate Bonnie Massey was present. Bolton residents Ruth Hoffman and Steve Arnold were also in attendance.

1. Call to order

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

2. Approval of the Minutes of December 6, 2016

Kathy Aspinall made a motion to accept the minutes with the following corrections: Under item 1, should read Sandra called meeting to order not Arlene Under item 4B first line should read trails not trials. Ann Maulucci seconded the motion, the motion passed. Arlene Fiano abstained.

3. Unfinished Business

A. Farm maintenance and repair projects

John Butrymovich stated to the Commission that the Bench in memory of Joel Hoffman was now installed at the farm near the peach tree. Ruth stated she liked the bench and the location. John stated they have also been busy plowing.

B. Update on barn repairs (post fire)

Sandra stated the barn repairs are complete, she stated they had a closeout conference call and went over the checklist. Sandra stated there are some left over supplies that will be turned over to John. John mentioned some damage he saw on the right hand wall one of the beams had some rot on it.

C. Heritage Weekend 2017

Arlene Fiano stated she had spoken with Jim Cropley about Heritage Weekend and that he was willingly to help out. Arlene and Jim were thinking of calling the event Bolton day or something along those lines instead of Heritage Weekend. Arlene and Jim were thinking of having Bolton Day which would include an invitation to all the town's Commissions, town's businesses the Bolton boy and girl scouts. The event would encompass everything Bolton. Arlene asked how the Commission felt about changing the name and allowing help from Jim Cropley. Everyone on the Commission thought it was a great idea. Arlene stated she would gather more information and discuss the event further at the next month's Commission meeting.

D. Update on Trails Day Hike 2017

Arlene stated she had meet with the bike walk Bolton group as well as the various groups and organizations in town as well as the Andover Bike Group. Arlene stated they have organized a ride on June 3^{rd} to leave the commuter lot at 1:30 PM and ride to Andover. Arlene also mentioned having an Earth Day event on April 22nd at the farm and planting a lilac bush, Arlene stated she would confirm the date at March's meeting.

E. Update on Fund Raising

Nothing at this time

F. Financial Feasibility Proposal and Grant Information

Nothing at this time

G. Discussion of Location of and Type of Memorial Recognitions

Nothing at this time

H. Bolton Subcommittee (Formerly Vibrant Communities Grant) Status Report

Nothing at this time

I. Student/School Participation

Nothing at this time

J. Policy for use of the Farm by Organized Groups

Nothing at this time

K. Future use of Farm House

Nothing at this time

L. Other

Arlene stated she, Ann and Bonnie sat down and discussed the type and amount of signage that is needed. Arlene stated 10 more yellow small signs are needed and John stated he made 2 more sandwich board signs that are in the barn. Arlene stated she will find out the pricing of 10 small yellow signs and let the Commission know at the next meeting.

4. New Business

A. Discussion of Future Grants, Repair Opportunities

Nothing at this time

B. Bolton Family Day 2017(after Memorial Day Parade)

Sandra stated she will be marching again in this year's parade. She stated she will need some volunteers from the Commission to help set up from 9-11:30. The booth will have information on the Heritage Farm Commission events. Sandra is going to check and see if items can be sold at the event and let the Commission knows at the next meeting.

C. Other

Sandra handed out an email from Rachel Tambling who is now running the Bolton Summer XC series at the farm. Dani Kennedy is no longer running the event. The email listed the dates for this year's XC series. The event is held on Wednesday's starting June 28th through August 9th. Sandra also mentioned the Land Trust requested to hold a yoga event at the farm on Monday August 7th at 6:30.

5. Adjournment

Arlene Fiano made a motion to adjourn the meeting, Ann Maulucci seconded the motion. The motion passed and the meeting was adjourned at 8:05 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,

Corrine O'Brien Board Clerk PLEASE SEE THE MINUTES OF SUBSEQUENT MEETINGS FOR THE APPROVAL OF THESE MINUTES AND ANY CORRECTIONS HERETO.