

**Heritage Farm Commission**  
**Regular Meeting**  
**September 9, 2019**

The Bolton Heritage Farm Commission held its regular meeting on September 9, 2019 at the Notch Road Municipal Center. Members in attendance were Chairman Arlene Fiano, Rhea Klein, Cara Wraight, Beth Harney and Ann Maulucci. Building and grounds supervisor John Butrymovich was also present. Commission alternate Jon Treat was not in attendance. Bolton residents Richard Treat were, John Toomey, Ben Jacobson and Aidan Brown were also in attendance. Commission members Raymond Marrison and Ann Maulucci were not present.

**1. Election of Officers/ Call to order**

Arlene called the meeting to order at 7:02 P.M.

Beth Harney made a motion to nominate Arlene Fiano as Chairman of the Heritage Farm Commission; the motion was seconded by Rhea Klein. Arlene Fiano made a motion to nominate Beth Harney as the Vice Chairman of the Heritage Farm Commission; the motion was seconded by Cara Wraight. Both motions passed unanimously.

**2. Approval of Minutes of August 5, 2019**

Rhea Klein made a motion to accept the minutes with corrections, Beth Harney seconded the motion. The minutes passed unanimously.

Corrections:

Add Richard Treat to residents in attendance.

3<sup>rd</sup> Paragraph Under section 3, Rhea's last name is spelled incorrectly. Should read Rhea Klein.

**3. Resident's Forum (Public Comment for Items NOT on the Agenda)**

Aidan Brown who is the SLP (Senior Patrol Leader) in Bolton shared that he was there for his citizenship for the Commission hours and would speak later on the agenda about a possible Eagle Project at the Farm.

**4. Correspondence**

Arlene stated she received a \$500.00 check from the Cross Country Series that will go into the Heritage Farm Fund. Arlene Fiano stated she sent a thank you letter to Tony Bonanno who is the Treasurer for the Cross Country Series.

**5. Unfinished Business**

**A. W3R Interpretive Signage/Capstone Project**

Rhea Klein and Ben Jacobson spoke more about interpretive signage at the farm. Rhea stated that she and Ben have a meeting with Barry Ford who has done many signs locally. Their meeting is Wednesday September 18<sup>th</sup> at the farm. Rhea and Ben both agreed to have a budget after meeting with Barry Ford.

**B. Farm maintenance and repair projects**

John Butrymovich informed the Commission that the new roof was complete on the house at the farm. The roof was done by rising Star Roofing and the final cost was \$17,150.00.

**C. Update on Fund Raising**

Beth Harney stated the Commission made \$281.00 dollars at the Farmer's Market. Rhea stated her yoga classes made \$154.00 dollars which will go to the Heritage Farm Fund. Rhea also mentioned she is going to send a letter to the Board of Selectmen about the wonderful job that the Town Maintenance Department. Rhea stated the farm was always well maintained and the grass was always cut.

Arlene did some research about possible fund raising items. She brought a few sample puzzles and the Commission decided to keep looking at other options.

**D. Student/School Participation/Education Programs**

Already Discussed under Item 3.

**E. Future Use of Farm House**

Nothing to report at this time

**F. 2020 Tri-centennial Celebration**

Arlene stated the next meeting is September 25<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 PM at town hall. Arlene and Sandra will meet with the living history encampment who is going to be doing the reenactment. They will meet with them after September 15<sup>th</sup>.

**G. Social Media/ Town Website Updates**

Rhea and Arlene stated that there was a lot sharing and pictures posted from Yoga and the Farmers Market.

**H. Business Plan**

Nothing at this time

**I. Farmer's Market Antique Truck and Tractor Show**

Beth Harney would like to get together with the person at town hall who created the vendor business list and create an updated list. Beth stated she is going to send thank you letters to vendors.

**J. Sleigh Bells Ring**

Arlene would like to set up a workshop to see what the Commission can make and have come up with a price point. Arlene also stated that the Commission needs to decide if they would like to get a booth at the Winter Faire on December 7<sup>th</sup>.

**8. New Business**

**A. Other**

Arlene stated the national parks service meeting is on September 25<sup>th</sup> from 9 AM-Noon in Wethersfield.

Aidan Brown came before the Commission to discuss possibly doing an Eagle Project at the farm. Arlene suggested trail maintenance or creating an additional cross country spur. Arlene stated she was going to email Deb Livingston. Aidan is also going to walk the farm with John look at possible projects.

**9. Adjournment**

Beth made a motion to adjourn the meeting, Rhea seconded the motion. The motion passed and the meeting was adjourned at 8:30 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.

