Heritage Farm Commission Regular Meeting May 13, 2019

The Bolton Heritage Farm Commission held its regular meeting on May 13, 2019 at the Notch Road Municipal Center. Members in attendance were Chairman Arlene Fiano, Rhea Klein, Ann Maulucci, Cara Wraight and Raymond Marrion. Building and grounds supervisor John Butrymovich was also present. Commission alternate Jon Treat was not in attendance. Bolton resident Bonnie Massey was in attendance. Residents in attendance were Eddie Steele and Jacky Steele.

1. Call to order

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

2. Approval of Minutes of March 4, 2019

Ann Maulucci made a motion to accept the minutes as written, Cara Wraight seconded the motion. The minutes passed unanimously.

3. Resident's Forum (public comment for items NOT on the agenda)

Eddie Steele came before the commission to speak about his Eagle Scout project. Eddie proposed an easy care garden bed of perennials in the triangle space between the two driveways. Eddie stated he would come up with a budget and asked if the Bolton Heritage Commission could help out financially. Arlene suggested Eddie make a plant list then reach out to Bolton residents and the community and see if people have perennials to share. Eddie stated he would come up with a plan and budget and meet with the Commission again.

4. Correspondence

Nothing to report at this time

5. Unfinished Business

A. Farm maintenance and repair projects

John Butrymovich stated they regraded the parking lot due to plow damage. He also stated spring cleanup is in process and as soon as it dries out mowing will start. Ray Marrion informed the Commission that the corn field will be returned to hay and Giglio Farm plans to continue the haying of all the fields.

B. Update on Fund Raising

Arlene asked Rhea if she had her Monday night yoga class dates. Rhea stated the dates will be August 12th, 19th and 26th from 6-7 at the Heritage Farm. Rhea also stated she will continue to work on the grant proposal, she has been in contact with Todd Levine.

C. Student/School Participation/Education Programs

Nothing at this time

D. Future Use of Farm House

Nothing to report at this time

E. 2020 Tri-centennial Celebration

Arlene stated the next meeting for the tri-centennial is on June 20th at the Notch Road Municipal Center room 9. Arlene also stated she had her first meeting with Pam Sawyer and Steve Gardner. Steve Gardner of the 54th Regiment at foot will be the lead commander and planner working with both the BHF Commission and the Town organizing the reenactment on the farm for the 2020 tri-centennial celebration.

Arlene stated the Commission has a list supplies and amenities such as wood, water, porta johns all to be put in place for the event.

F. Social Media/ Town Website Updates

Nothing at this time

G. W3R Interpretive Signage

Nothing at this time

H. Business Plan

Arlene stated the business plan is ready to present to the Board of Selectmen. The BHF Commission will wait for Beth Harney to return.

6. New Business

A. Other

Bolton resident Bonnie Massey asked the Commission if her husband and his RC Airplane club could fly radio controlled airplane at the farm. Arlene informed Bonnie as long as he has insurance and registers at town hall they are welcome to use the farm. Arlene also informed the Commission if Family Fun Day has nice weather she is going to set up a booth there.

7. Adjournment

Rhea made a motion to adjourn the meeting, Cara seconded the motion. The motion passed and the meeting was adjourned at 8:05 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.