Heritage Farm Commission Regular Meeting July 12, 2021

The Bolton Heritage Farm Commission held its regular meeting on July 12, 2021 at 6:00PM at the farm. Members in attendance were Chairman Arlene Fiano, Rhea Klein, Cara Wraight and Ann Maulucci. Building and grounds supervisor John Butrymovich was also in attendance. Bolton Historic Commission alternate Bonnie Massey was not in attendance. Raymond Marrion and Beth Harney were also not in attendance.

1. Call to order

Arlene called the meeting to order at 6:00 P.M.

2. Election of Officers

Rhea made a motion to re-elect Arlene Fiano for Chairman of the Heritage Farm Commission. The motion was seconded by Ann Maulucci. Rhea made another motion to re-elect Beth Harney to vice chairman and treasurer of the Heritage Farm Commission. The motion was seconded by Cara Wraight. Both motions passed unanimously.

3. Approval of the Minutes of: June 7, 2021 Regular Meeting

Corrections: Section 5A third line change "sings" to signs. In the same section after the word demonstrate strike "and show" from the paragraph. Section 5B change 7PM to 6:30PM Section 5C should read John Butrymovich stated that they have been mowing. Section 7 correct "Wriaght" to Wraight.

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

Nothing at this time.

5. Correspondence

Arlene stated the land trust will be sponsoring two events at the farm in the upcoming months. The first event will be held on July 22nd at 6:00PM at the farm called Cardio with Karen. It will be a moderate workout for 50 mins. The other event is a poetry reading with Bessy on August 24th. Arlene also stated she got an email from Town Hall stating that on July 19th in person commission meetings will resume and masks must still be worn in the building. These meetings will be in a Hybrid form, all future meeting will be able to be accessed via Zoom. There is a requirement for at least one commission member to be trained on the equipment. Rhea has offered to attend all training sessions. Arlene also stated the Town budget is being voted on July 13th, there is a link on Everything Bolton that explains the details of the budget.

6. Unfinished Business

A. Eagle Scout Project Update

Nothing at this time.

B. Update on Fund Raising/ Monday Night Yoga

Arlene shared the new balance in the Heritage Farm Fund which is now \$6,852.63 and previously was \$42,715.00. Arlene stated Beth Harney sent an email to town hall asking about the difference in balances. Jenna Matos from Town hall explained that the Washington-Rochambeau funds were moved into a special account per the grantor's request and agreement with the town in the amount of \$6,806.60. The second item was the purchase order for the master planning of the site and development with Nelson Edwards Architects in the amount of \$25,000.

The third item was a purchase order for the interpretive signage from Wilderness Graphics in the amount of \$4,059.50. John Butrymovich stated that once the grants come in for these items the funds will be placed back into the Heritage Farm Fund.

C. Farm Maintenance Report

John Butrymovich stated TruGreen came out and sprayed the walls. He stated the parking area will be regraded soon.

D. Survey and Planning Grant/ Sarah Nelson

Arlene reminded the Commission that there will be a Zoom meeting with Sarah Nelson on July 19th at 1:00pm. Sarah asked for 3 items to be on the agenda they include a presentation of the research on venues by Beth and Cara, the presentation of archeological investigation and the presentation of design options.

E. NPS/WR3 Update

Nothing at this time.

F. Interpretive Signage Wilderness Graphics

Arlene stated Meg Harper did not come through with the reproducible photographs which would have been used by Wilderness graphics in the In terpritive signage. Arlene shared that 2 out of 3 DRAFT panels are ready and they are working on the 3rd one. As soon as the third is completed a meeting will be set up for their review.

G. Farmer's Market & Antique Truck and Tractor Show

Arlene stated the Commission will not be holding the Farmers Market anymore. An email of regret was sent to First Seletman Sandy Pierog.

H. Farm to Picnic

The Commission is thinking of new ideas and events to host at the farm. Some ideas were a series of picnics being held at the farm. The Commission is still brainstorming and coming up with new ideas.

G. Other

Nothing at this time.

7. New Business

A. Other

Nothing at this time

6. Adjournment

Cara Wraight made a motion to adjourn the meeting, Ann Maulucci seconded the motion. The motion passed and the meeting was adjourned at 6:49 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.