

Heritage Farm Commission
Regular Meeting
September 10, 2018

The Bolton Heritage Farm Commission held its regular meeting on September 10, 2018 at 7:00 PM at the Notch Road Municipal Center, Rm 9. Members in attendance were Chair Arlene Fiano, Rhea Klein and Beth Harney. John Butrymovich, building and grounds supervisor was also present. Alternate Bonnie Massey was also in attendance.

1. Call to order

Arlene called the meeting to order at 7:08 PM
Arlene appointed Bonnie Massey to fill in for Ann Maulucci.

2. Approval of minutes of July 2, 2018

Rhea Klein made a motion to accept the minutes as written, seconded by Bonnie Massey. The motion passed unanimously.

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

Nothing at this time.

4. Correspondence

Arlene stated Dennis Sheradon emailed her about the farmer's market. In the email he stated that the Commission did an excellent job with the farmer's market and it was a great event.
Arlene also shared with the commission that herself, John Butrymovich, Sandra Pierog and Debbie Livingston will be having a meeting to discuss the off street parking issue during the Bolton Cross Country Series. The meeting will be on September 25th at 7:00 PM at the Notch Rad Municipal Center.

5. Unfinished Business

A. Farm Maintenance, Repair Projects, Porch Update

John stated they have started mowing the fields and Landie started spreading millings on the top part of the parking area.

John stated he received an email Jim Rupert about the installation of the ramp at the Heritage Farm. John stated he is going to forward the email to Sara Nelson and see what her professional opinion is and what the next steps should be taken about installing a ramp.

B. Update on Fund Raising

Beth Harney shared with the Commission that the farmers market made roughly \$350.00, which \$62.00 was then given to the historical society for a few books that was sold. Bonnie stated she has a \$40 check from Kathy Aspinall. Rhea stated she made \$113.00 from yoga which will go to pennies for preservation. The Bolton Cross Country series gave the Heritage Farm Commission a \$500.00 donation which was very generous.

C. Student/School Participation/Education Programs

Rhea stated she will be meeting with Sarah Malinoski at the end of September. Sarah is the director of instructional technology and curriculum with Bolton Public schools.

D. Future use of the Farm House

Nothing at this time

E. Policy for Use of the Farm by Organized Groups

Nothing at this time

F. 2018 Farmers Market/ Antique

Already discussed under B

G. 2020 Town Celebration

Arlene stated the next meeting is September 18th at Town Hall at 7:30PM.

H. W3R Interpretive Signage

Arlene stated there will be a meeting with Todd Levine and Cathy Labadia who is the new director of W3R initiative at the farm at 12:30 Tuesday September 18th. Arlene would like to have an open dialogue with Todd to try and find grant funds for interpretative signage at the farm.

I. Social Media/ Town Website Updates/ BHF Presentation/ Documentary

Rhea stated she has asked for pics on Facebook of the farm, she said she's looking for people doing activities at the farm or being active.

J. Possible Shovel Ready Grant Projects

Nothing at this time

K. Congregational Church Festival of Trees

Arlene stated the festival of trees is the first week of December and the Commission needs to come up with some ideas about what's going to be on the tree.

6. New Business

A. Re-designation of BHFarm uses

Arlene stated that Ray Marrion is going to speak to Leonard about a good place for the bees to be relocated next year.

B. Business Plan

Arlene asked John if Debbie Livingston had been in contact about the new spur trail, John stated she has not been in contact with him. Bonnie suggested clearing and making the new trail may be a great Scout project.

C. Other

Beth Harney suggested giving all the vendors who attended the farmer's market a thank you card. The Commission agreed it was a great idea and to use the existing cards they already have. Beth and Arlene will fill them out and send them.

7. Adjournment

Rhea made a motion to adjourn the meeting, Beth seconded the motion. The motion passed and the meeting was adjourned at 8:33 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.

