

**Heritage Farm Commission**  
**Regular Meeting**  
**November 2, 2020**

The Bolton Heritage Farm Commission held its regular meeting on November 2, 2020 via Zoom and audio call in. Members in attendance were Chairman Arlene Fiano, Rhea Klein, Cara Wraight, Ann Maulucci and Beth Harney. Building and grounds supervisor John Butrymovich was also present. Historic Society alternate Bonnie Massey was not in attendance. Commission member Raymond Marrison was not in attendance.

**1. Call to order**

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

**2. Approval of Minutes October 5, 2020**

**Corrections:** Under section 5C the second to last sentence should read State Historical Preservation, misspelling of Historical.

The last sentence under section 5C should read November 4, 2020 agenda, November was spelled incorrectly.

Rhea made a motion to accept the minutes as written, the motion was seconded by Ann. Beth abstained because she was not at last month's meeting.

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

Nothing at this time

**4. Correspondence**

Arlene stated she received an email from Steve Gardener which stated there was an opening in his schedule and could reschedule the reenactment for October 22-24<sup>th</sup>, 2021

Arlene also heard from Ann's son Paul about the Hickory tree that has fallen down at the Heritage Farm. Paul is a wood worker, his recommendations for the Hickory tree are; the lower 8 feet of the trunk are unuseable being hollow and the nail and hardware zone. Short log sections and limbs could be used for wood turnings. He suggests we contact someone with a portable saw mill to process, then store the useable parts of the Hickory.

**5. Unfinished Business**

**A. Farm maintenance and repair projects**

John Butrymovich stated they have been mowing fields and clearing the walls. They are also clearing and blowing the leaves.

**B. Update on Fund Raising**

Beth stated she has not been able to get the updated balance because of Covid-19 restrictions. Beth is going to make an appointment to go into the bank so she can obtain the newest balance.

Information on the Hickory tree was shared in item 4. With proper preparation the wood could be processed and stored for further fund raising projects.

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

Nothing at this time.

**D. Future Use of Farm House**

Nothing at this time.

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

# heritagefarmphotos is being encouraged. Anyone who posts photos fo the farm on social media is being asked to hashtag.

#### **F. Eagle Scout Project Update**

Arlene stated she and John had meet with Joey Griffin. His Eagle project would place informational signs about flora, fauna and historic facts along the trails at the Heritage Farm. The BHF commissions feels that this is an excellent addition to the trail system. Arlene will contact Josh Kelly for information on the National Parks signs to assure the materials Joey will use aligns with the design and constrution of the NPS.

#### **G. Survey and Planning Grant/Sarah Nelson**

Arlene stated our application is on the agenda for the November 4<sup>th</sup> meeting of the Connecticut State Historic Preservation Office.

#### **H.NPS/WR3 Update**

Arlene stated the town has approved a resolution to receive the funds from the National Parks Service.

#### **I. Set and Approve Schedule of Meeting Dates for BHF Commission 2021**

##### **List of approved dates and times for the 2021 Bolton Heritage Farm Commission Meeting Schedule**

**January 4<sup>th</sup> 7:00PM**

**February 1<sup>st</sup> 7:00pm**

**March 1<sup>st</sup> 7:00PM**

**April 5<sup>th</sup> 7:00 PM**

**May 3<sup>rd</sup> 7:00PM**

**June 7<sup>th</sup> 6:00PM at the Bolton Heritage Farm**

**July 12<sup>th</sup> 7:00PM**

**August 4<sup>th</sup> 7:00PM**

**September 13<sup>th</sup> 7:00PM**

**October 4<sup>th</sup> 7:00PM**

**November 1<sup>st</sup> 7:00PM**

**December 6<sup>th</sup> 7:00PM**

#### **J. Other**

Nothing at this time

#### **6. New Business**

##### **A. Other**

John was asked by the Town Administrator, the Bolton Sustaibility Committee and the Recreation Department to ask the BHF Commission their opinion on a community gardens at the farm. The idea of community gardens was met with mixed emotions. It is the feeling of the commission that it would be best to wait until the work with Sarah Nelson is completed. At which point it was suggested a survey for the need be implimented.

**7. Adjournment**

Cara made a motion to adjourn the meeting, Ann seconded the motion. The motion passed and the meeting was adjourned at 7:44 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.