

Heritage Farm Commission
Special Meeting
December 7, 2015

The Bolton Heritage Farm Commission held a special meeting on December 7, 2015 at the Notch Road Municipal building. Members in attendance were Chairman Sandra Pierog, Arlene Fiano, Ann Maulucci, Beth Harney and Kathy Aspinall. Building and grounds supervisor John Butrymovich was not present. Bolton residents in attendance were Bonnie Massey and Richard Treat.

1. Call to order

Sandra Pierog called the meeting to order at 7:11 P.M.

2. Approval of the Minutes of October 5, 2015

Beth Harney made a motion to accept the minutes as written; Ann Maulucci seconded the motion. The motion passed.

3. Unfinished Business

A. Farm maintenance and repair projects

Buildings and ground John Butrymovich was not at the Commission meeting. Sandra stated John told her they are still picking up leaves. There was also another broken window discovered but has already been repaired. Arlene Fiano stated she was driving past Heritage Farm and saw people climbing up the silo. The Commission all agreed that signs need to be posted advising people to stay off and not to climb the silo.

B. Update on barn repairs (post fire)

Sandra stated she had received a bid from Rob Proulx but she is still waiting on a response from Joyce Stille. Sandra stated that the dry ice testing was done; it was very successful except the equipment room floor. Sandra stated it was not successful on the equipment room floor because years of oil and other fluids have permeated the wood. Sandra also stated there has been no update on the court for the proceedings against the defendant. Sandra also stated the Town of Bolton has asked for restitution.

C. Discussion of Location of type of Memorial Recognitions

Kathy Aspinall stated she has been busy with the winter faire and will have more info at the next Commission meeting. Richard Treat suggested for the memorial using an existing rock on the farm with smaller rocks surrounding it.

D. Bolton Center Subcommittee (Formerly Vibrant Communities grant) status report

Nothing at this time

E. Farmers Market 2016

Sandra stated she spoke with a gentlemen from the Department of Agriculture, he sent her some information which was not very helpful. She stated she will continue to do research.

F. Student/School participation

Nothing at this time

G. Policy for use of the farm by organized groups

Nothing at this time

H. Future use of the Farm House

Nothing at this time

I. Winter Faire Results

Sandra stated the booth grossed \$304.00 at the Winter Faire. She also stated the total cost was \$765.00 for the cards and mugs. She stated the Commission still needs to raise \$461.00. Beth Harney asked Kathy Aspinall how the Winter Faire went. Kathy stated the attendance was not great.

4. New Business

A. Set Meeting Dates for 2016

Heritage Farm Commission proposed meeting dates 2016

Monday January 11, 2016

Monday February 1, 2016

Monday March 7, 2016

Monday April 4, 2016

Monday May 2, 2016

Monday June 6, 2016

Monday July 11, 2016

Monday August 1, 2016

Monday September 12, 2016

Monday October 3, 2016

Monday November 7, 2016

Monday December 5, 2016

Beth Harney made a motion to accept the proposed meeting dates with the change to November 11th, to November 7th; Arlene seconded the motion. The motion passed.

B. Budget Requests for 2016

Sandra stated John Butrymovich has to submit his budget requests by December 15, 2016. Sandra stated the Commissions current budget is \$25,000 for the capital improvements fund for the barn. Sandra stated adding \$1,500 for Heritage farm weekend.

C. Heritage Weekend 2016

Nothing at this time

D. Archeological Site Boundaries

Nothing at this Time

E. Discussion of Future Grants, Repair Opportunities

Sandra stated there was a survey and planning grant that is available for funding for a public supervised archeological dig. The Commission all agreed that would be a great event, Arlene suggested getting grades k-12 at the schools involved.

Richard Treat stated he always witnesses cars pulling up on the grass and asked if there was a way to keep them off. Sandra stated they could speak with John and ask him to move the parking sign so people know where exactly they can park.

5. Adjournment

Beth Harney made a motion to adjourn the meeting, Arlene Fiano seconded the motion.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:10 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.