

**Heritage Farm Commission**  
**Special Meeting**  
**October 5, 2015**

The Bolton Heritage Farm Commission held a special meeting on October 5, 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 Richard Treat.

**1. Call to order**

Sandra Pierog called the meeting to order at 7:05 P.M.

**2. Approval of the Minutes of September 14, 2015**

The Commission all accepted the September 14, 2015 minutes with the following corrections; under section 3, the last sentence Arlee should read Arlene. Section 4E the last sentence should read Commission members all thought that next year a map of the green and booth assignments needs to be made so they know where everyone will go. Section 4H everything should be moved under section 4B. All Commission members accepted the September minutes, Beth Harney abstained.

**3. Wrap-up-Heritage Weekend 2015**

Sandra Pierog stated it was a great weekend with wonderful music. She stated Rosie the cow made \$253 and the Commission also made \$50 from selling refreshments. Beth and Arlene both stated they were a little disappointed with the attendance. The Commission began brainstorming about next year's heritage farm weekend. Arlene suggested pulling the school into the event and possibly an archeological dig.

**4. Unfinished Business**

**A. Farm maintenance and repair projects**

Sandra stated there are no new updates; she stated they are still mowing.

**B. Update on barn repairs (post fire)**

Sandra stated she received the bid for the barn repairs late Friday night from Loersch Builders. Sandra has not had a chance to review the entire document; she did however look at just the fire repairs which were quoted at \$319,000. Sandra stated that the bond council stated the P&Z bond for \$200,000 did pass and Sandra would like an email or something in writing stating the bond did pass. The septic tank was approved by P&Z but not to include any expansions. Sandra also stated that Lance from town hall went and dug holes where he thought the pond should go. Sandra stated all the engineering drawings showed the pond should be on the other side of the farm.

**C. Discussion of Location of type of Memorial Recognitions**

Sandra stated they are still waiting on Helen Meloche to decide.

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

Nothing at this time

**E. Update on Farmers Market**

Sandra stated she is going to find out what steps are needed to become an official farmers market.

## **F. Student/School participation**

Nothing at this time

## **G. Policy for use of the farm by organized groups**

Sandra stated they have been two inquiries to use the barn in 2016 for weddings. After Sandra told them there is no electricity and they can't come in the barn the interested parties said they will look elsewhere.

## **H. Future use of the Farm House**

Arlene suggested for the next meeting the agenda should read for this section-Future use of the Barn House. Sandra stated she will change it for the next meeting.

## **5. New Business**

### **A. Discussion of Future Grants, repair opportunities**

Nothing at this time

### **B. Archeological site boundaries**

Sandra stated she listened to Nick Bellantoni, a state archeologist speak at the historical society. Sandra stated she asked Nick if archeological sites could be delineated. Nick was shocked to hear that the farm was not. Nick was excited to work with the Commission and try to get a grant and to testing to find boundaries for the barn archeological site.

### **C. Heritage Weekend 2016**

Arlene suggested having an archeological dig/presentation/speaker for Heritage Weekend. Sandra stated if they could get the grant in enough time the residents could come and see what artifacts were found during the dig and also people could come and take part in a dig. Nick Bellantoni could speak and the Commission could invite the Bolton science classes to be involved as well.

## **6. Adjournment**

The meeting was adjourned at 7:53 P.M.

Respectfully Submitted,

Corrine O'Brien  
Board Clerk

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