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Meeting of the Parmelee Farm Steering Committee

Thursday October 3, 2012 - Killingworth Town Hall

The following committee members were in attendance: Robert Broach, Christine Cronin, Bruce Dodson, Terry Doyle, Linda Dudek, Tim Gannon, Karen Milano, Richard Pleines, and Peg Scofield

Tim Gannon called the meeting to order at 7:22 p.m.

Bruce Dodson moved to accept the minutes from the meeting of September 5, 2013 with the one correction that the third from the last paragraph on the first page should begin "Tim then" not "Tim the", seconded by Peg Scofield. Unanimously passed.

Richard Pleines moved to accept the minutes from the special meeting of September 20, 2013, seconded by Terry Doyle. Unanimously passed.

Tim Gannon gave a review of the progress on the work at the farmhouse. The STEAP Grant work at the farmhouse has been completed and the committee is waiting for a final bill from Ed Noble. Tim has communicated with Mike Fortuna about this and Mike has said that he will follow up.

Bob Broach reported that the Historical Society is working on painting on the interior of the farmhouse and it should be completed shortly. Terry Doyle has been working on the woodwork that needs finishing in the farmhouse. There was discussion of other work to be completed in the farmhouse.

Tim discussed the material that he had distributed to the committee that Cathy Iino had found re: matching grants available to municipalities for repair of historic buildings, which might be considered for use in the repair of the sill in the farmhouse that will eventually need to be done. He asked if someone from the historical society would write the application for the grant, which would be submitted by the town. There was discussion.

Tim then talked about the time table for completion of the required work to get the farmhouse up to code so that the Certificate of Occupancy could be issued. Some of these items include the handicapped parking and the handicapped ramp. There was discussion.

Tim then reported that he had met with Paul Fox of Heritage Barns. Ron Fine, Lions' president, put Tim in touch with him. They build post and beam barns. Paul is also a Killingworth resident. Paul Fox will attend the November meeting of the committee to discuss post and beam barns. Tim asked the committee members to be thinking about the usage of a future barn for the next meeting. There was discussion.

Tim Gannon wanted to say that all of the progress at the farm in the last three weeks is due to the volunteerism of many residents of Killingworth. He thanked Mike and Karen Milano for their advice and counsel. And Larry Marotti for all of the electrical work labor which he has donated.

Tim also announced that the Lions have decided to be a stake holder in the upcoming Pumpkin Carving event at the farm, scheduled for October 20. Lions will match Carrie Sassi's generous donation of \$300, as needed.

Tim then reported on the progress on the pole barn. Jim Lally has finished the site preparation for the floor. So getting the concrete floor poured at this point is the most cost effective way to proceed. Gene Garguilo, has volunteered to donate the labor to install the monolithic pour concrete floor. The cost of the materials will be paid for by the Lions. However, they will not have enough cash until after the Gordon Lightfoot concert, so the committee will advance the funds and be repaid by the Lions after the concert. Tim will be meeting soon with Gene Garguilo, Ron Fine, Time Foreman, Jim O'Brien (the Lions' pole barn project manager) and Mike Milano to discuss the specs for the job. There was lengthy discussion.

Peg Scofield moved that the committee should approve up to \$2500 for the materials for forming the skirting, up to \$6000 for the concrete and up to \$1500 for the metal for reinforcing the floor, seconded by Terry Doyle. Unanimously passed.

Tim Gannon stated that the dye for coloring the concrete floor is apparently much more costly that was originally thought. He will speak to Gene to get an opinion as to whether adding color to the concrete is a viable way to go for this application.

Tim said that this weekend Larry Marotti is going to be working on the wiring on the new restroom and Jack Schuster is hoping to be working on the plumbing. Mike Young is going to be doing the roof on the building on Friday and this work is a donation from him. Tim said that seeding and haying will be starting on certain areas tomorrow at 8 a.m. There was discussion.

Tim said that fall cleanup will be held October 19 from 9 – 2 p.m. The area of concentration of efforts will be in the area of the handicapped ramp and handicapped parking.

Peg talked about the pumpkin carving event to be held on October 20. There was lengthy discussion.

Tim said that he is gathering information on putting solar panels on the pole barn.

Robert Broach then discussed the fact that he met a man who had parked at the farm and was in full hunting camouflage and was walking through the property with bow and arrow to access Cockaponset State Forrest. Matt Ward and Cathy lino have been contacted. Bruce Dodson will contact the manager of Cockaponset State Forrest. There was lengthy discussion.

Meeting adjourned at 9:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Christine Cronin

Secretary