

MINUTES

Meeting of the Parmelee Farm Steering Committee

Thursday August 1, 2013 - Killingworth Town Hall and Parmelee Farm

The following committee members were in attendance: Robert Broach, Christine Cronin, Bruce Dodson Terry Doyle, Linda Dudek, Tim Gannon, Peg Scofield.

Absent : Karen Milano and Richard Pleines

Tim Gannon called the meeting to order at 7:04 p.m.

Bruce Dodson moved to accept the minutes from the meeting held on July 10, seconded by Peg Scofield. Passed. Terry Doyle abstained.

Tim reported that the roof and the chimneys at the farm house are done.

Tim then reported on the status of the farmhouse. Since the last committee meeting Mike Fortuna has prepared a punch list of items yet to be done by Noble Construction. He also hired engineers to review the work done and prepare an MEP report. As a result of the report additional items were added to the punch list. After numerous attempts to contact Ed Noble, Tim stated that Ed Noble has replied that he has completed the punch list. Tim stated that this is not the case and that while much has been done, there are still a number of items that need to be completed. Mike Fortuna is on vacation and Tim will be in contact with him when he returns. Ed Noble will not receive final payment until all items have been finished. There was lengthy discussion.

Tim then reported on the next phase – the trenching(for power and water to the stone barn, pole barn and outside restroom) He has had meetings with Mike Milano, Jim Lally, Jack Schuster and Larry Marotti. These are Killingworth residents who have volunteered to help on the next phase of projects. The well has been drilled and the committee is waiting to get the report. There was lengthy discussion on the next phase and what needs to be done. Tim Gannon stated that he has put together a list of all of the people who have volunteered to help with the restroom project.

Tim said that Mike Milano had sent him an email outlining all of the work to be done to get the project started. It enumerates all of the steps to be followed to complete the electric and the water to the stone barn, pole barn and the outside restrooms. All labor will be donated and the town will pay for all materials (This will come out of the PFSC capitol budget.)

Tim noted that the new “Dawn to Dusk” sign is up at the entrance to the farm. He thanked Bruce and Peg for a job well done. Bruce said that the new sign at the path from the middle school will be installed soon.

Peg reported that the only event scheduled at the farm right now is the Lions Pig Roast in October.

Tim reported that nothing has been done yet towards clearing the area for the handicapped parking for the house. The First Selectman’s office has put in a work order to the town crew. There was discussion.

Peg said that the two boys helping at the community have been doing a fine job. Matt McCann is being paid from the community garden budget and Dave Pearson is being paid by the state.

Bruce reported that the Lion's Gordon Lightfoot concert to benefit the farm is in good shape. It will be announced in the September Krier. Ticket sales are already going well...it should be a sell out as in prior years.

Bruce also reported that the work on the pole barn has progressed. Both sides of the barn have new footings. Karl Auer has cleared out a lot of the debris that was on the south side of the barn. All that remains for this phase is to complete the footings on the two ends.

Tim pointed out that Terry Doyle is building the new doors for the garage for the Historical Society. There was discussion.

Tim said that he would ask Karen to write an update for the Sept Krier.

Meeting adjourned at 8:32 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Christine Cronin, Secretary