

MINUTES

Regular Meeting of Parmelee Farm Committee

November 2, 2017 – Parmelee Farm

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

Absent: Guy Vecchitto

Tim opened the meeting at 7:00 p.m.

Peg reviewed the Farm Activity Calendar for the remainder of the year and for 2018. For the remainder of the year there are three events, Christmas at the Farm and the KHs Christmas Fair on December 2 and the Joys of Christmas on December 8,9,10 and 15,16,17 at the Farmhouse. Artful Living will be working with the Historical Society to plan this event, which will be dinner and entertainment with admission by ticket. There was discussion of how well Owl-O-ween put on by A Place Called Hope, was attended. Artful Living's Sleepy Hollow Lantern tour went extremely well and will probably be held again next year. There was discussion.

Tim reported that Bruce had researched the pricing for the new windows for the schoolhouse. The prices ranged from \$3500 to \$5,000. There was lengthy discussion. The range of windows went from vinyl clad with grills inside the panes to wood with separate panes. The best choice so far is the Andersen 400 series. Tim will check to see what the 200 Series would cost and see if it has the same features as the 400 series.

Bruce Dodson moved to approve an amount for the windows not to exceed \$4000, seconded by Scott Hawkins. Unanimously passed.

Bruce reported that all six dog waste stations are complete and loaded with bags. There was discussion.

Tim reported that the siding was removed from the schoolhouse the Committee is just waiting for the certificate saying that it has been disposed of properly. Tim thanked all of the volunteers that helped with the painting and installation of the plywood. The window & door installation at the Schoolhouse will be a spring project.

Tim said that the fall cleanup is continuing. Dennis Rich has joined the work crew. The note in the Krier is helping to get volunteers. Tim has had some phone calls from people who would like to help.

Tim said that the WiFi at the farm is out. This means that the security system is not working. He has inquired at Comcast. The cost for the service will be \$109 per month and \$14.95 to rent the modem. He suggested we try it for one year. There was discussion.

Terry Doyle moved to approve getting the Comcast service for \$124.95 a month, seconded by Scott Hawkins. Unanimously passed.

Tim showed the Committee the new benches that John Byrne has made to be used at the parking lot and the Pavillion so passengers awaiting the golf cart can sit. Tim reported that there was a problem at a recent Farm event with the septic in the restroom building. Jack Schuster had to be called to clear a blockage. There was lengthy discussion. Tim said that going forward the septic will need to be pumped periodically.

Terry Doyle moved to approve the septic pumping bill of an amount not to exceed \$340, seconded by Linda Dudek. Unanimously passed.

Meeting adjourned at 8:10 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Christine Cronin

Secretary