

## MINUTES

### Meeting of Parmelee Farm Committee

Thursday March 1, 2018 – Town Hall

The following Committee members were in attendance: Christine Cronin, Terry Doyle, Linda Dudek, Tim Gannon, Terry Doyle, Scott Hawkins, Peg Scofield, and Guy Vecchitto

Absent: Bruce Dodson

Guest: John Byrne

Tim called the meeting to order at 7:04 p.m. The minutes from the meeting of February 1 were accepted as presented.

Tim stated that it was time to elect officers of the Committee.

Peg Scofield nominated Tim Gannon for chairman, seconded by Linda Dudek. Unanimously passed.

Tim Gannon nominated Peg Scofield for vice-chairman, seconded by Guy Vecchitto. Unanimously passed.

Peg Scofield nominated Christine Cronin for Secretary, seconded by Linda Dudek. Unanimously passed.

John Byrne then spoke to the Committee about the pricing information he had gotten for the siding and trim materials for the schoolhouse. For the trim materials - the Azec would be \$2,280 vs \$2,380 for the Boral. For the siding materials - the Hardie Board would be \$3,920 vs \$4,075 for the Boral. There was discussion. Terry Doyle moved to purchase the Boral product for the trim materials for \$2,380, seconded by Guy Vecchitto. Unanimously passed. Terry Doyle moved to purchase the Boral material for the siding of the schoolhouse for a cost of \$4,075, seconded by Peg Scofield. Unanimously passed.

Tim said that he and John Byrne have already sold 44 of the maple leaves as part of the fundraiser to assemble the funds to build the sugar house on the Farm. They are available for sale at the Library and Town Hall and several Committee members took boxes of leaves to sell in their neighborhoods. The Board of Selectmen has voted to support this venture. There was discussion about looking into various grants available to help fund the purchase of the sugaring equipment. Tim has already applied for one grant for a filter and canning machine. Peg suggested that the Committee look into a farming grant.

Peg reviewed the schedule of events for this next Farm season. There was discussion. Linda Dudek said that the Historical Society will have the Farmhouse open on the days of the concerts. She also said that she and Karen Milano are trying to get an artisan market arranged for September. Tim said that there will also be a car show on the day of each concert.

Tim said that he had been unable to arrange for the Building Inspector and the Fire Marshall to attend this meeting to discuss building and fire code requirements for a new barn. There was discussion. Tim will try to arrange a special meeting with these people for Monday March 12.

Meeting adjourned at 7:50 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Christine Cronin