

Zechariah Boodey Farmstead Committee approved as presented **Meeting Minutes**

December 4, 2017

Present: Fran Frye, Tatiana Cicuto, Cathy Orlowicz, Sherry Cullimore. Members of the Public present: Scott Drummey.

The meeting started at 6 pm, in the New Durham Town Hall. The meeting agenda was passed out. The Committee reviewed the minutes of the Nov. 13th joint meeting with the Meetinghouse Committee and the Board of Selectmen (BOS), as well as, the reconvened Boodey Farmstead meeting, which followed the adjourned joint meeting. A motion was made to accept the minutes as presented by Tatiana and seconded by Fran; the vote to accept was unanimous in favor.

A motion was made to accept the minutes of the joint meeting with the Meetinghouse Committee held on Nov. 27 (in library), and the reconvened Boodey Farmstead meeting held at the Town Hall, which followed the adjourned joint meeting, by Sherry, and seconded by Tatiana; the vote to accept them was 3 -0 -1, in favor. Fran Frye abstained because of her excused absence for the meeting. All minutes were posted in Town Hall immediately.

The chair passed out her financial records; our balance stands at \$16,814.59. Interest accrued in 2017 so far is \$14.37. We have raised \$5147.80 this year. We just need to raise \$3185.41 towards the \$20,000 to get the barn down and stored. The Craft Fair in November earned us \$105. We were able to talk to many people at the fair; there was lots of interest in the project. We sold Boodey Balls, and Boodey Woodies; we also had all our information and handouts available.

A draft of the annual campaign letter was passed out. Cathy will update the draft, with the recommendations made during this review. Copies will be distributed for review and do some editing.

Cathy recently met with the Capstone students: Andrew Blizzard and Jacob Barbieri. They were given a copy of the layout of the Boodey Farmstead which included the notations for the "things needed in the room for use"; copies of the conservation maps and flood plain and a few others; zoning ordinances; building codes; the letters of requirements from the Road Agent and Chief of Police; and verbal requests from the Fire Chief based on meeting record. Cathy asked the students about timing to take measurements from the original foundation footprint, at the original site; the log cabin, the cape and the addition. Snow will fall soon and they will be on break soon.

The professional surveyor for the town's cemetery has offered to help the students with survey points at the future site. The entire area does not have a current survey on file at town hall. His contact information has been provided to the students. They have been requested to copy the Chair on all correspondences and documentation from any phone calls. Cathy will provide him with any information on the layout of Stockbridge Corner Rd and Berry Road (formally known as Ridge Road) she may be able to locate. He might be willing to stamp the site plans. The students have been given a deadline of Dec.8th to provide an update for their project to their Faculty Advisor at UNH. (They have had another change in advisors, due to medical condition of prior advisor.)

Cathy met with the Fire Chief to ask about the requirements for a sprinkler system at the Farmstead. There have been some questions, asked by members of the public, if we had correct information. She printed up some of the fire codes. The threshold is 300 people - any more people, a sprinkler system may be required to be installed. Based on our capacity the Chief suggested other fire prevention actions may need to be taken, such as fire alarms, and a firewall between the barn and addition.



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It was suggested to spray the interior walls with a fire retardant. He will not permit any open flames in the barn. The building will have no problems meeting modern fire codes; it would be considered as new construction even though the reconstruction will be using mostly original materials. The Fire Chief is scheduling a meeting with the Fire Marshall to go over requirements. Cathy has requested to be included in the meeting.

During the Budget Committee meeting of November 29th, the Boodey Farmstead budget request for \$3400 was approved. The entire budget request for account number 4589, "Other Culture and Recreation" was approved at \$5000. (This account also included the Meetinghouse budget line items.) The Committee has asked a Capital Reserve Fund be established for the holding of "public monies" and we asked that \$1000 be placed in the Capital Reserve Fund.

Scott Kinmond will be asked how to proceed with placement on the warrant, an article to accept of the gift of the barn, and to adopt RSA 41:14-a, which authorizes the BOS to buy and sell buildings/lands in the future, without the need to go before town meeting. The Planning board will be asked if they would promote the warrant article. Should the article need to be placed on the warrant by petition, the Committee will need to seek the signatures of at least 25 registered New Durham voters, although more is better. The Public Budget Hearing is usually mid-January. Cathy will confirm timeline for submission of petition warrant articles.

Tatiana reported that Johnson's would be busy over the holidays but having our fund raiser would be better in mid-January or mid-February - 10% of the profits, excepting alcohol sales, would be donated to the project. Tuesday, Wednesday or Thursday are the best days for this. We thought Thursday was the best day: Jan 25, Feb 1, and Feb 8. We can have a table in the entry with our handouts and information. We can cross advertise and use their logo. Taty will see which dates Johnson's can do.

At our next meeting we will go over our campaign letters. We have enough postage to mail out to 200 people. It was decided to hold our next meeting on Dec. 11 beginning at 6pm at the Town Hall, prior to the BOS meeting beginning at 7pm. By consensus of the members present, the joint meeting minutes of November 27th will be our report submitted to the BOS.

Respectfully Submitted,

Sherry Cullimore, Scribe