

Zechariah Boodey Farmstead Committee Meeting Minutes

August 21, 2017

Present: Cathy Orlowicz, Tatiana Cicuto, Fran Frye, Sherry Cullimore.

Our meeting commenced at 6:30 pm at New Durham town Hall.

Cathy has sent written thank you letters to the vendors whom supported our efforts at the Site Celebration, held July 29th, and also to the New Durham Historical Society.

Appreciation was expressed to Sherry for the painting of a butterfly in support of Alton's Rotary Club's event for the Central New Hampshire VNA and Hospice. This was an opportunity to keep our name and project in the public's eye.

The minutes of the August 7, 2017 were approved. Taty moved the motion as presented and Fran seconded it; the vote in favor was unanimous. The minutes will be posted at town hall and a copy given to the town administrator, Scott Kinmond.

Our fund balance is at \$13,862.42, from a donation of \$50.00 deposited August 10, 2017. A thank you note has been sent.

Elections were held. Sherry nominated Cathy O as Chair, seconded by Tatiana, vote 3-0 in favor with Cathy abstaining. Tatiana nominated Fran as Vice Chair, seconded by Sherry, vote 3-0 in favor with Fran abstaining. Tatiana nominated Sherry as Secretary, seconded by Cathy, vote 3-0 in favor with Sherry abstaining. The Committee agreed, by consensus, to put the vote forward as a slate. Motion made by Fran to elect those nominated for office as presented, seconded by Cathy. The vote was unanimous for the slate. The Chair will be Cathy Orlowicz, Vice Chair will be Fran Frye, and the Secretary will be Sherry Cullimore.

Budget time is approaching. Oct. 26 at 7 pm is our turn to present our budget for the Boodey Farmstead to the Board of Selectmen, and December 6th to the Budget Committee. Cathy passed out the budget proposal for the next year. She asked us to think about what we might need in way of expenses, how much, i.e. a banner for \$100, engineering expenses for the Capstone Project, etc. What other things should we consider (want ads, advertising, banners, septic design, and installation)?

For more Fundraising, we are planning another Yard Sale for Sept. 2 from 8-2, at the Smitty's Ball Fields, sponsored by the New Durham Rec Commission. Rain date will be Sept. 3. Set up starts at 6:30 am, but we do not need to start until 7am; we must be finished setup by 8am. We must provide our own tent, water, chairs, food, etc. We need a Raffle permit and Cathy has started the process; we went over the requirements with her. Taty will bring a container for tickets: prices will be \$1 = I ticket or \$5 = 6 tickets for a chance to win gift baskets. The baskets have been donated by the committee members. Our focus for this event is to raise money to cover the expense for dismantling the barn, and education awareness for the adoption of the state law RSA 41:14-a.

More fundraising plans; an "Authentic Italian Dinner" will be held on Sept 16th from 5-7 pm, in the Community Room located at the Fire Station on Main Street. We will plan for 100 people. The plan is to have 4 meat lasagnas (Taty), 3 meatless lasagnas (Sherry) and 2 pans of macaroni and cheese (Cathy). Taty and Gino have warming dishes. Fran will go to stores to ask for bread donations. Cathy will make a Cesar Salad. We will get butter and garlic and cold drinks and other supplies though donations. Taty will ask Johnsons for gift cards or a large basket. The committee agreed to the cost of tickets, which will be \$10 a ticket and \$8 for kids under 10; a family of 4 will be \$32. We will put up a banner downtown to advertise the dinner; Taty has a way to build it. She will also make menus to have at the beginning of the line and Cathy will print them.

We must start developing our Letter Writing Campaign to raise funds. Cathy suggested an October timeline to do a mailing.

Cathy received a letter from Nichole about selling food at Bingo and Soccer games this year. We decided on yes to Bingo and no on Soccer – too much time involved. We chose the following dates for Bingo: Oct. 1, Nov.5, Dec. 3/10, Jan. 7/14, Feb. 4, March 4, April 1, and May 6. Cathy will talk to Nichole to see if the dates will work with her schedule.



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Do we want a table at this year's Craft Fair? Yes.

Johnson's Fund Raiser; to pick a day (Tues, Wed or Thurs?), people eat at Johnson's mention they are supporting the fundraiser, and Johnson's will donate a percentage of the sales to our project. We must promote it and advertise it!! Taty will ask them for details.

Lance Robicheau has offered to volunteer, as a laborer on the Boodey Barn dismantling project, and is certified to operate and can work on a lift crane.

Cathy sent the Rotary Grant to Rick Fogg to sign. She cut and pasted "Meets the needs of the community" section from the paper she wrote, section taken from existing materials, about the barn for the application. She read the application to us.

Other Business: Tatiana brought to the attention of the committee, an email request she received from Dot Viesel, asking if she would work with the Meetinghouse Committee with developing their business plan. Tatiana expressed her desire for full transparency and openness. Tatiana asked if this would be a conflict and how did the members felt about this request. Tatiana said she would like to help them in some way. The Chair explained there is no conflict of interest, should she help the Meetinghouse Committee. Tatiana explained she would only have time to support proof reading and editorial review, as she is very busy with the Boodey project, starting her own business, and working full time. She doesn't have time to write a plan for them. Following some additional discussion, Tatiana will extend to Dot, her conditions of help. She will respond to Dot, whom will relay the message to Cathy Allyn. Cathy Allyn will be asked to respond within five days, once she has been contacted by Dot.

The next meeting will be Monday, Sept. 11, 2017 at Town Hall at 6:30 pm. The meeting was adjourned at 10:30 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

Sherry Cullimore, Scribe