

**BROOKSIDE FARM MUSEUM
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES OF FEB.26, 2020**

Members Present: Gary Lakowsky, Chairman
Richard MacDonald
Robert Patterson
Robert Seifel
Maggi Prokop
Cheri Meier

Also Present: Donna Massung, President of the Friends
Josh Taylor Curator
Kathleen Patterson Friend of BFM member

1. CALL TO ORDER. Chairman Lakowsky called the February 26, 2020 Brookside Farm Museum Regular Meeting to order at 7:10 p.m.

2. APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES. Mr. Lakowsky asked for additions, deletions or corrections to the January 22, 2020 Brookside Farm Museum Regular Meeting Minutes.

MOTION (1): Mr. Patterson moved to approve the January 22, 2020 Brookside Farm Regular Meeting Minutes, as presented. Second by Mr. MacDonald. (6-0) Motion carried.

II. REPORTS

a. Agenda Additions. There were no additions to the Agenda.

b. Public Delegations. Ms. Massung requested the use of the barn for a plant sale May 16th. Open house will be June 13th 2020 .

c. Ex-officio no report not present.

d. Curator Josh Taylor is planning a display on bees for the spring or summer and on farming for May/June.

e. Chairman Wil Reed requested a tour of the museum for April 3rd for his anthropology class.

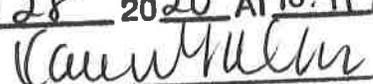
Mrs. Prokop volunteered to give the tour. Mr. Lakowsky will be attending the Historic Properties meeting .The Owners of 144 Boston Post Rd. will be in attendance to discuss the removal of artifacts and set up a time table to have the BFM members be able to do so.

Status Update. Mr. Patterson reported as of today there is \$11,099.50 In the Brookside Farm Museum budget.

1. Presentation of Bills. Mr. Patterson submitted two bills for payment. \$65.00 for Filters for the dehumidifier and 23.39 for an electronic mouse device for the corn crib. Both would be taken from the Building Maintenance account.

MOTION (4): Ms. Prokop moved to reimburse Mr. Patterson \$88.39 for the above bills. Second by Mr. MacDonald. (6-0) Unanimous.

2. Barn Rental. Ms. Miere informed the Commission she had a barn rental for June 28, from 11:00 to 3:00 for a bridal shower. Motion was made by Ms. Miere and seconded by Mr. MacDonald to allow the shower

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Budget. Mr. Lakowsky will be attending a budget meeting on Monday March 2nd at 6 pm. This will be the Board of Selectmen discussion of the budget

Collections. Mr. Taylor is working on collections and his next step will be entering the collection into the computer.

Correspondence. Mrs. Prokop sent a thank you to Nick Fulton for being the Emcee at the Trivia night.

IV. OLD BUSINESS

a. PROPERTY MAINTENANCE

1. Mr. Lakowsky is going to ask Mr. Bragaw if he could have the large tree pieces left by the tree cutter removed. It will take a backhoe and large truck to remove them.

b. UPCOMING EVENTS

Motion was made by Mrs. Prokop and seconded by Mr. Seifel to change cleanup day from April 13th to the 25th. The change is being made so more Leos and Lions can attend, as they have a conflict with their Sight Saver Day. A motion was made by Mr. Patterson and seconded by Ms. Miere to change the rain date to May 2nd. Both motions passed (6-0). Hours for both dates will be 8:00 am - 12 noon.

V. NEW BUSINESS

Property Maintenance.

1. Back Porch. Mr. Lakowsky is going to request help from Mr. Bence on the work for the back porch. It is his hope that the Commission budget and the Friends budget will cover most of the expense by the end of this fiscal year, but if not that there might be funds available to augment the shortfall. Mr. Lakowsky also will ask Mr. Bence with the purchase order process, so a PO could be in place before the end of the fiscal year.
Mr. Lakowsky suggested when the columns on the back door are replaced that metal shielding be put around them, as to prevent the weedwackers from damaging them
2. Apple Tree. The apple tree has been cut down and the pieces need to be removed. This could possibly be done on clean up day.
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MUSEUM DEVELOPMENT

1.Middle School Program for 2020. There will be no Middle school program this spring. We may want to look at a fall event.

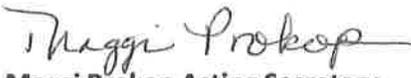
2.Town 10 Year Plan of Development. The subcommittee is looking for input from the public.

3. 144 Boston Post Rd Mr. Lakowsky will have a list of materials we wish to save from the house to present at the March 3rd meeting of the Historic Properties Commission

VI. ADJOURNMENT

MOTION (5): Ms. Miere moved to adjourn the Brookside Farm Museum January 22, 2020 Regular Meeting at 7:40 p.m. Second by Mrs. Prokop. (6-0) Unanimous.

Respectfully submitted,


Maggi Prokop Acting Secretary