

Parmelee Farm Committee
Minutes of Meeting
Parmelee Farm
September 2, 2021

Present: Christine Cronin, Terry Doyle, Linda Dudek, Tim Gannon, Scott Hawkins, and Peg Scofield

Absent: Guy Vecchitto

Guests: Jeff Picard, Eagle Scout - Daniel Schuster, Jack Schuster, Ken Wodatch

Tim called the meeting to order at 7:12 p.m. in the area behind the old garage and welcomed the guests. Ken Wodatch showed the Committee the staked out area where the Killingworth Historical Society would like to build a barn. There was discussion, then the Committee adjourned to the Pond Room and Ken Wodatch left.

Eagle Scout Daniel Schuster stated he would like to do his Eagle Scout project at the Farm. Several projects were discussed. Tim explained that one of the projects the Committee has for this year is improvement of the Parmelee Trail, which has the heaviest use. He also said that the PFC would like to have a copy of the project notebook when completed. Peg explained geo grid and said it would be part of the Eagle Scout project. Various ideas were discussed. The bridge on the Parmelee trail was discussed for the Eagle Scout project. It would have one handrail and be large enough for an ATV to cross. Daniel will look at the site and get back to the Committee. Daniel and his father left the meeting.

The minutes from the meetings of August 5 and August 10 were accepted as presented. Peg said that the calendar has remained the same except the Sleepy Hollow event for October has been cancelled. Scott reported that all weddings are covered for the remainder of the season. There was discussion.

Tim said that the first Trail clean up date is September 25 and he will create an event on Facebook. Jeff Picard said that he will be there and get some volunteers from the Land Conservation Trust to help. There was a discussion of the work to be accomplished on the day.

Linda reported that they are ready for the Artisan Market on September 11. A few vendors have cancelled. There was lengthy discussion of volunteer helpers and parking for the event. Tim stated he had picked up 40 volunteer tee shirts in all 4 sizes.

Linda Dudek stated that the KHS voted on the location for their new barn and unanimously decided they felt it should go in the area behind the old garage. There was discussion. Peg Scofield moved that the Committee support the KHS decision to locate the new barn in the area behind the old garage, seconded by Scott Hawkins. Motion passed. 5 for, 1 against.

Tim said that he has not gotten an updated quote from Kevin Gorman on the lumber for the fencing/stockade project. He will follow up. He also reported that the memorial bench has been installed on the Blue Trail.

Scott reported that he had just received the quote for the slides for the Pavilion. The price has gone up \$12,000 since the first discussions with the vendor. There was lengthy discussion. The project will be tabled for the present.

Tim stated that the Committee is still looking for a few more members. Committee members should think of possible candidates. There was also discussion of hiring a part/time person to do odd jobs. No candidates have been found to date.

There was a short discussion of scheduling of events for next season. This will be discussed more at the next meeting. Scott will put together a list of preferred vendors for weddings for Peg to have for people who inquire when signing up for events in the Pavilion.

Meeting adjourned at 8:40 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Christine Cronin
Secretary.