

Minutes of Parmelee Farm Committee  
Parmelee Farm  
February 2, 2023

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

Absent: Lise Brule, Linda Dudek, Karen Milano and Michael Greenaway

Guest: Eileen Blewett

Scott called the meeting to order at 7:05 p.m. and welcomed the guest. The minutes from the December meeting were approved as submitted. Scott stated that he had been working on the budget for the coming year. There was lengthy discussion. The Operating Budget to be submitted to the BOS will be the same as in years past. (\$12,000)

Scott reported that he had walked the property (regarding the proposed access road for the south field) with Mike Milano. They did this to come up with a path that would be least intrusive to the environment to access the south field from the middle school parking lot. Mike said it shouldn't take a long time to do the job. Scott is working on an RFP to submit to BOS. There was discussion. The cost of this has not been determined yet. Scott will keep the Committee informed.

Scott discussed a multiyear improvement plan. He read a statement he had prepared. There was discussion.

It was decided to postpone election of officers until the next meeting when attendance is better.

Eileen Blewett discussed the calendar of events for the coming year. She talked about how she is keeping the calendar. There are already inquiries coming in for weddings in 2024. There was lengthy discussion of the handling of events. She asked that anyone emailing her about events do it through the farm website.

Tim reported that they are ready to start sugaring. The weather has not been cooperating. He has a large volunteer list. There is a statewide Maple weekend scheduled for March 18 & 19.

Meeting adjourned 7:54 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Christine Cronin  
Secretary