

Parmelee Farm Committee  
Minutes of Meeting  
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April 6, 2023

Present: Lise Brule, Christine Cronin, Linda Dudek, Tim Gannon, Scott Hawkins,  
Karen Milano

Absent: Terry Doyle, Mike Greenaway, Peg Scofield and Guy Vecchitto

Guests: Eileen Blewett, Dave Gumbart and Cathy lino

Scott opened the meeting at 7 p.m. and welcomed the guests.

Cathy lino stated she was there to appeal the decision that KDTC could not hold their bake sale at the Farm on May 13. This is regarding "Killingworth Day" held at various locations throughout town. She said that she felt that they were unfairly excluded from holding their bake sale at the Farm. There was lengthy discussion, a review of the history of Killingworth Day through the years, the different locations KHS and KDTC held their sales, and post Covid changes made to ensure that this traditional day continues. KHS is not opposed to KDTC to having space at the farm for their fundraiser. If KDTC had communicated with KHS prior to KHS booking and publishing their tag and bake sale, and KDTC offered another kind of fund raiser, they could hold it at the Farm. Otherwise, they could hold their bake sale at another location, as there are events all over Killingworth on that date.

The procedure for booking events applies to all events and this is no exception. These procedures were developed to offer a group booking an event at the farm the ability to host their event to have a successful event. Tim Gannon stated that PFC has a policy for all events and that they will adhere to it. If multiple groups want to use the Farm for an event on the same date, it has been the PFC's direction that these groups communicate together and with the Farm prior to final booking in order to avoid any potential conflicts.

Dave Gumbart said that he was there to represent the family of Harvey Edelstein, who passed away earlier this year. They would like to have a memorial bench placed at the Overlook. Tim told him that the bench would be \$250 and that includes a plaque. The Plaque will read: "In Loving Memory of Harvey Allen Edelstein Oct. 1945 - Feb. 2023". Dave said that the Land Trust will help to get the bench in situe. Tim made a motion to place a memorial bench for Harvey Edelstein at the overlook, seconded by Linda. Unanimously passed. Dave will notify the Edelstein family.

The Minutes from March 2 were accepted as presented.

Scott and Tim will meet with the Board of Selectmen next Tuesday April 11<sup>th</sup> to discuss the PFC budget submission.

Scott reported still working on the viability of the South Field Road Project. Will have further discussions with contractors to plan and get quotes.

Linda reported that Shoreline Electric will be doing the electrical work at the new barn. Lise reported that Shared Harvest needs a new table for their market day. They had done some research. There was discussion. Scott said that there is a picnic table across from the Stone Barn that could be sanded and repainted.

Eileen Blewett reported that there are lots of events scheduled for the spring. There will be a trolley for the Earth Day events. There was a lengthy discussion of events and procedures.

Scott reported that more roadway material was delivered to the volunteer parking area so that can be expanded. There was a discussion of removing downed trees and looking for more trees that are a potential hazard. Scott will look into this. There was discussion of getting the restrooms up and running for the season. Scott will reach out to Andrew Pighills about reconstruction of the rock wall from the new KHS barn to the schoolhouse. There was lengthy discussion of maintenance issues and equipment.

Linda reported that they have contacted the school and there will be no sports events upon the day of the Artisan Fair. She also requested that more walkie talkies be purchased.

Meeting adjourned at 8:37 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Christine Cronin  
Secretary