

Agenda

Lachat Town Farm Commission Monthly Meeting
Town Hall Commission Room – 7:30 pm
Tuesday, October 7, 2014

- A. Approval of minutes from the September 23, 2014 meeting of the Lachat Town Farm Commission
- B. Discussion of Business Plan to present to the BOS in the near future – Jeff Wollman
- C. Update on Harvest Dinner & Dance – expenses and income
 - 1. Set date and develop committees for next year's event at the farm
- D. Update on farmhouse restoration and progress – Carol Baldwin, Ed Parker
- E. Update on Community Garden and Production Garden
 - 1. discuss liming and aeration of the production field – what kind of lime and who will purchase (we have a small spreader that we can use)
 - 2. discuss Potluck dinner arrangements in committee after main meeting
 - 3. tractor update – sign for Kiwanis in recognition of the donation – Kurzman Signs (waiting for specs from Kiwanis' Glen Van duesen)
 - 4. fields and grounds maintenance – vote to purchase the lawn mower and weed whacker, rakes and shovels, etc.
 - 5. irrigation estimates for CG, production garden and green house
 - 6. discuss purchase of greenhouse (example at Wakeman Town Farm)
 - 7. Fencing: perimeter, residential and finishing gates on CG
 - 8. discussion of how to use upper fields
 - 9. discussion of mowing fields
- F. Discuss committee assignments
 - 1. signs – Diane Renaud
 - 2. graphic design of sign – Ed Parker
 - 3. update on farmer interviews – Michelle and Amy (Advisory Board)
 - a. job description
 - b. sources for search
 - c. housing, salary, insurance, etc.
 - 4. PR and outreach – Diane Renaud and Jamie Kapel
- G. Website discussion - Facebook, Friends of Lachat website, twitter, instagram, etc.
- H. Discuss final costs for the fulfillment of the CT AG Viability Grant for Tom Landry
 - 1. outline needs, irrigation, hoop house/greenhouse, fencing
- I. Discuss tree removal and eventual stump removal all over the property for the CT AG Farmland Restoration Grant
 - 1. Line up Kiwanis for a work weekend to remove trees – Steve Thomas in charge
 - 2. discuss selling wood – Warm up fund doesn't want it
 - 3. Estimates for stump removal
- J. Discuss organizing committees - programming committee, events committee, fund-raising committee, farm committee, farmhouse committee, grounds committee, etc.
- K. New Business
- L. Public participation as required