

Agenda

Lachat Oversight Committee Monthly Meeting
Town Hall Meeting Room – 7:30 pm
Tuesday, June 3, 2014

- A. Introduce Lauren Baber to the Committee – discuss her skill set and present the needs of Lachat for the short and long term.
- B. Community garden update
 - 1. Where we are
 - 2. fencing around community garden – make decisions on kind of fencing to use
 - 3. Discuss Michelle’s quote from River Valley Fencing versus a temp fence
- C. Discuss fund-raising events – Farm-to-Table-dinners and new ideas to raise money
 - 1. other organizations we can do events with to make money
 - 2. list types of Fundraisers that have been done at other farms and that are successful
 - 3. Discuss Kiwanis wine tasting event as a fund-raiser for Lachat for next season.
 - 4. Discuss setting up a meeting with Beautification Committee to discuss what they would like to do for Lachat
- D. Approval of Minutes for 3-31-2014, 4-17-21014 and 4-24-14 will be done upon Ellen’s return from vacation at the next meeting on June 3, 2014.
- E. Discuss the Community Garden and where we are at present
- F. Discuss the new commission and the governance of the Lachat Commission to be formed in June
 - 1. discuss outline of duties for the commission and who would like to do what
 - 2. discuss who else we can get on the commission
- G. Discuss the financial position discussed with Dan Levinson and the Town of Weston – Amy and Michelle will elaborate
- H. Discuss writing budget proposal for farm and farmer for BOS meeting
- I. Post Mortem report on Groundbreaking Work Day at Lachat – discuss what you would do differently for the next event
 - 1. List of volunteer organizations and their performances
 - a. Builders Without Border – report on what they did
 - b. Kiwanis – report on how they did
 - c. Boy Scouts – never heard from John Babyak
 - d. Girl Scouts – report on if they had fun, etc.
 - 2. Discuss costs of materials for future events and the proper procedure for ordering and paying for supplies in the future
 - 3. Plowing discussion – when and what to grow for a cover crop
- J. Discuss interviewing the farmers – couple Amy and Michelle have already met and Lauren Baber to whom Gayle sent an email.
- K. Discuss using Town services to help with the Farm
 - 1. Discuss Youth Services involvement with programming– Michelle Albright
 - 2. Parks and Rec
 - 3. Commission on Aging and Senior Center – Helen de Keijzer
 - 4. Arts Council
- L. Discuss Pokorny Plumbing estimates and scope of work –
 - 1. \$4,000. quote for irrigation line and new holding tank in house
 - 2. putting a sump pump in existing well for temporary use for garden
- M. Discuss other organizations and the work programs they can provide if interested
 - 1. Interns starting May 19th - who will supervise them (Kiwanis)

2. XL Insurance workday (Jeff Pinals) – May 9th - cleaning vines and invasive species out of wall lines.
 3. Kiwanis building chicken coops?
 4. Builders Without Borders in the Fall
 5. GVI – fencing, building boxes, putting in irrigation, helping to build hoop house
- N. Discuss Farmhouse renovation
- a. internal remediation of paint and mold and mildew – costs
 - b. outdoors: porch and gable removal, painting of outside of house eventually
- O. Discuss sign and Miggs Burrows designs
- P. Progress report on restoration of the house – Carol away and will discuss at next meeting
1. update on new repairs to the house – front sill & front wall
 2. discuss overall house plans and progress?
- Q. Fund Raising
1. Update on fund raising and grants
 2. Discuss potential fundraising committees and events
 3. Tom Landry is applying for the \$20,000 grant for farmland restoration
 4. Discuss upcoming meeting with Tom tomorrow – Wednesday, June 4th
- R. New Business
1. Website of progress for Lachat – find someone to design and implement
 2. Logos for website, stationery, etc.
 3. Miscellaneous
- S. Public participation as required