

## Minutes

### Lachat town Farm Commission Meeting

9/1/15

Present: Ellen McCormick, Jeff Wollman, Jamie Kapel, Ed Parker, Carol Baldwin, Nick Bell and Judy Saffan. Katherine McConnaughey and Elizabeth Zeppernick were present as guests.

Absent: Mike Smith

Meeting was called to order at 7:50 pm

The minutes from the August 4th meeting were approved.

Ed described the proposed area for the greenhouse. We decided to have a slightly larger greenhouse to accommodate classes. Ed will be meeting with a mason for pricing on the foundation work.

Elizabeth gave her background and explained why she is interested in serving on the commission.

We discussed the proposed tag sale on October 10th with a rain date the next day. Since we won't be able to do a farm dinner, Carol suggested having food trucks at the event. Ed suggested having live music as well. We thought a price of \$50 per vendor is a good amount, with a discount for registering early. Ellen and Jeff will meet at Lachat Saturday morning to figure out a layout for the event. Peter will help with publicity for the event.

Ed has sent in the grant for the barn restoration.

We then discussed the community gardens and whether we should add more plots. Everyone thought this was a good idea. Carol also suggested having a list of names of volunteers who can be called to help take care of plots when people are away.

Carol told us that Robin Willis is interested in holding yoga classes at the farm on weekends in September and early October with all proceeds going to Lachat. Robin will take care of all the publicity.

Ellen said one of the local Boy Scouts is interested in doing a beehive observation at Lachat.

Ed has the lumber companies lined up to demolish and rebuild the porch but needs a date to give them. Bob Hatch thinks we should wait because once the porch is redone, people will think the restoration project is completed and donations may dry up.

We then discussed upcoming events. We are going to put off the animal embassy. We are hoping to do the scavenger hunt around Halloween.

Kat raised the issue of the portable toilet and how it's the first thing you see when you drive up to the farm. We discussed moving it to another location so that it's not such an eye sore.

The next topic was traffic issues on Godfrey Road and what we can do to maintain safety for everyone using the road, especially when we have events.

The next meeting is scheduled for October 6th.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:15 pm