

## Agenda

Lachat Town Farm Commission Special Meeting  
Town Hall Commission Room- 7:30 pm  
Tuesday, May 19, 2015

- A. Approval of minutes from the May 5th, 2015 meeting
- B. Discussion of Business Plan to present to the BOS at the May 7th BOS meeting
- C. Discussion and Planning of the Memorial Day March
  - 1. Lily Edelman volunteered to be the chicken -Judy Saffan purchased chicken outfit
  - 2. publicity - flyer to hand out - due dates
  - 3. transport of wheel barrows to the site of the march
  - 4. blue jeans/coveralls and straw hats? for attire or something like that
  - 5. shall we use the tractor in the parade.?
  - 6. assign someone to do the flyers at Staples
- D. Discussion of Opening Day event assignments - 1- to 3:00pm, May
  - 1. invitation to representatives to attend - done - check to make sure attending
  - 2. red ribbon for the sign to cut during photo op - Diane Renaud
  - 3. get Kiwanis signs on the tractor from John Kurtzman signs in Norwalk - done
  - 4. set up photo op with Dan Lerner
  - 5. food for event
  - 6. contact Lyette Segerdahl to sign up for the Memorial Day march - done
- E. Discussion of additional events for the spring and summer including but not limited to:
  - a. Tag Sale/Flea Market in the spring and one in the fall
  - b. Musical events
  - c. Art Shows
  - d. List programs on flyer
  - e. give out assignments for each program
  - f. line up more programs
- F. Reports from the following :
  - 1. Community Garden
    - a. fields and grounds maintenance report
    - b. Fencing:
    - c. discuss a children's garden, where, when, how much, etc.
    - d. plan evening events for the community gardeners
    - e. discuss a committee for events for the CG
  - 2. Farm Committee – Production Garden
    - a. discussion concerning the barn planning grant - Ed Parker
    - b. get soil test done - discuss soil ph
    - c. crop plan for 2016 planting
    - d. equipment needed for the process
    - e. discuss purchase of greenhouse – size, etc and foundation
    - f. start talking about the barn planning grant
  - 3. Programming Committee:
    - a. list of possible programs this year
    - b. volunteer recruitment to run programs
    - c. discuss the Native American Culture and Environment program scheduled for June 27th

4. Events Committee:
  - a. List potential events
  - b. discuss specific dates for specific events
    - i. June 6th - Sal Gilbertie coming for gardening 101 talk
    - ii. June 7th - Diane Blaise from NRCS - talk on composting
    - iii. June 27th - Native American Program - need volunteers and food
5. Fund-raising Committee
  - a. designate grants to write
  - b. find new people to help write grants
6. Farmhouse Committee – Carol Baldwin report
  1. New work
  2. Heat and electric
  3. Indoor work: removal of paint, mold, mildew, etc.
7. Grounds Committee
  - a. possible surveillance of the property to prevent stealing
  - b. list of projects for volunteers
    - i. clean up circle behind house - move rocks and stumps - clean back to the wall
    - ii. clean up on the road
    - iii. remove brush all over the property
    - iv. mow the fields
  - c. make list of organizations willing to send volunteers
8. PR/Outreach Committee
  - a. develop information plan to disseminate to schools and local websites about the farm and its upcoming programs – design committee will help design materials
  - b. reach out to schools through Michelle Albright
- G. Design Committee
  1. interior ideas – discuss not putting in closet and keeping handicap entrance rm. open
- H. Website discussion - Facebook, Friends of Lachat website, twitter, instagram, etc.
- I. New Business – next meeting dates and any other new business