

Holliston Community Farm Advisory Board

Minutes 09/14/2021

Meeting called to order at 7:10 pm.

Members present: Dennis PreFontaine, Dennis Serocki, Kriss Westland, Shannon Gratton, and Kristen Serocki

Absent: Jim Taralli

Minutes approved with a couple edits. Approved by all members present.

Dennis P. met with the Medway Propane representative at the farm to discuss the heater for the greenhouse. After the heater is installed, we will need a plumber to hook up a stump which connects the heater to the propane tanks. He suggested setting up 2 100-gallon propane tanks. We as a group need to decide where the placement of the tanks will be. They need to be out of the way of the driveway but accessible for propane deliveries. It has also been suggested to be at the opposite side of the greenhouse as the main door.

Do we want to set up a reoccurring delivery of the propane or a call for delivery service with Medway? If we do a call for delivery, we will have to keep track of usage. We are still waiting for the formal cost proposal but there will be a \$50 permit fee.

When the heater is delivered, we will need someone there to receive it, we will need a tractor to get it off the truck. Dennis S. offered his tractor to help. We will need to start some clean up in the greenhouse for the placement of the heater.

We will have a working night up at the farm on the 22nd weather dependent.

The sign for out front of the property is still in the works.

Driveway- Kriss sent over the revised plan for the driveway with cheaper stone and dimensions to DPW.

The composting toilet- a standalone toilet would be about \$68K, if we used an existing building it would need to have a basement for the equipment. We will need to revisit the toilet situation. Shannon will reach out to Natick Community farm about theirs.

Events- Do we want to have the Haunted Walk? If we had it, we would have to do a down sized event since it would be us doing it on our own without the Lions club like past events. We will need to see if the permit would even be approved by the police dept and the BOS. We would need at least 10-15 adult volunteers to be able to pull this off. We will have a meeting on Sept 28th discuss the event to see if we can pull this off.

Should we see if we can get the butterfly aviary to be place at the farm so the Community can still enjoy it?

Meeting adjourned 8:50. pm