

Holliston Community Farm Advisory Board

Minutes 03/03/2021

Meeting called to order at 6:37pm Kriss Westland read the meeting opening article and took attendance.

Members present Dennis Prefontaine, Dennis Serocki, Kriss Westland, Shannon Gratton, and Kristen Serocki

Motion to approve the last meetings minutes by Dennis Prefontaine seconded by Dennis Serocki. Approved by all members.

FY22 Budget-Expenses

These are what our expected expenses could be for the year.

\$500 for the electric bill (Will be more once the house can be used)

\$2000 for water use

\$100 Garden plot repairs

\$500 for equipment and tools

\$100 Covid compliance/sanitation station

\$100 marketing

\$100 Educational supplies/Class materials

\$500 fuels for equipment

\$1000 seeds and other materials for the plots and fields

Grants: Kriss is looking into a specialty crop grant for the blueberry field from MDAR as well as a soil preservation grant.

CPC application: We are on their agenda for their March 10th meeting. Kriss is in the process of working on the application. The request will cover funds for an outdoor pavilion for gatherings

and picnics, a composting toilet, the sign for out front, driveway repair, and a well for irrigation in the greenhouse and field.

Garden Plots: There are 9 new people requesting plots. We have had a few people who want to come back as well. We will need to add 5 new plots. We should be prepared to build 10 plots.

Seedling Sale: Kristen ordered the supplies, most of the pots have come in but we are still waiting for some. The pickup of the seedlings will happen the weekend of the 21st & 22nd as well as Weds the 19th. Shannon will set up an online order form where the buyer will be able to pick their pickup time. We will need to start doing some marketing for the sale to help drum up business.

Shannon has been working on the new Facebook page, she will get it updated and done so we can get the word out for the sale.

Our next meeting will focus on a proposed composting project at the farm and getting prepped for the Parks and Rec class.

Meeting adjourned at 8:30 pm