CCFM Advisory Board Meeting

Wednesday, September 18, 2024

In attendance: Jane Sewell, Tony Richardson, Judy Fortin, Ted McNett, Peggy Soper, Dana Wachter, Makenzie Gawel, Emily Miller, Dawn Thomas, Beverly Lambert and Commissioner Joe Vigliotti.

Meeting called to order by Tony Richardson at 9:31am.

Approval of the August meeting minutes-

- Per Jane-Animal update- Lucy did not escape from the pen on property, that happened when she was young at her previous residence.
- Motion to approve minutes with the Lucy update- Tony motioned and Judy Fortin seconded.

Events Report- Dana Wachter

- Summer concert series went well and starting to plan for next Summer's series.
 Considering bumping up the start time by an hour so that we can keep sunlight for the entire
- Steam show also went well. Organizers were pleased, auction did well and weather was decent.
- Wine Festival was last weekend- close to 5000 people came to the event and weather was ideal. Beer was available this year and incorporated well into the event. The two bands did great and everyone was complementary regarding the event.
- Fall Harvest will be 10/12/24. Working on promoting the event and finalizing details at this time. The alpacas are coming and will be at the Hoff Barn.
- Fall/Autumn event flyer is ready to be distributed.

Summer Camp Resort- Makenzie Gawel

- Presentation of Farm Camp/Summer camps
- Goals for 2025 were announced-looking for more campers, sponsorships for food and scholarships.
- Farm camp is most popular- will have two weeks in 2025
- Will introduce half-day camps with specific themes for 2025
- Implementing new programs this year- 10/18 Fall Flames and 12/23 Winter Wonders

Manager's Report-Jane Sewell

- Plaques are here and will be installed soon.
- Maintenance building is still dragging along- Jane is not encouraged that the project will be completed any time soon. Frustrations over change orders, payments and permits continue. Contractor has not been on site for at least 3 weeks. The CCFM staff have contributed time to completing the project and so have CC maintenance staff.

- Lead paint remediation on General Store has been completed and painting is finished. Jane is pleased with the work.
- New roof has been installed on the Corn crib.
- Barn roof has been painted.
- Tin Shop has been painted.
- Animals are well.

Planning Report-Tony Richardson

 Sharon Bollinger has been volunteering her time to clean up the landscaping and it is much appreciated.

Commissioner's Report-Joe Vigliotti

- Continuing to fight the power line project.
- Pursuing the placement of the mill tower on CCFM property.
- Had to vote on a contract for the lawn maintenance and had to go with the lowest bidder which wasn't local. Working on changing the law so that local bids can take precent over the lowest bids.
- Encouraged the board and CCFM to pursue the Summer camp scholarship program.

New Business-

 Beverly announced that the Choo-Choo Christmas is approaching. She is decorating the kitchen this year and looking for items to be loaned for her project. Looking for volunteers to man the train garden/room at this time.

Meeting called to a close at 10:22am by Tony Richardson and seconded by Ted McNett.

Next Meeting: Wednesday, October 9, 2024 9:30am @ Grier Room