

Maples Farm Park Commission
Meeting Minutes
June 2, 2020

- 1) **Call To Order:** Meeting called to order by Miria Gray at 545 PM using Zoom
Attendance: Miria Gray, Jay Carson, Candice Chambers, Michele Addabo, Brandon Lathrop ABSENT: Jon Kemp
One member of the public: Glenn Pianka
- 2) **Public Comment:** None
- 3) **Review and Approve Minutes:** Noted that there are no minutes of the last meeting due to the lack of a secretary. This will be corrected going forward.
- 4) **Commission Chair and Secretary:** Discussion concerning the absence and no responses from MFP Chairman Jon Kemp. It was the consensus of the members that communication be initiated with the First Selectman to formally inquire as to the continuation of Jon Kemp as Chair or membership. See attached email to First Selectman dated June 2, 2020. Glenn Pianka has applied for MFP Commission membership and has agreed to take secretarial notes for this particular meeting.
- 5) **Review Applications:** There are no site applications due to the pandemic situation. There is one application for appointment to the MFP Commission by Glenn Pianka. This request has been forwarded to the First Selectman for inclusion on the next BOS Agenda. Jay Carson submitted the name of new town resident Gina Bitgood of 358 Bozrah Street 228-731-8332 bitgoodg@gmail.com and this name will also be presented at the next BOS meeting on June 16th.
- 6) **Finances:** Last statement balance is \$15,742.81.
MOTION: ADDABBO/**SECONDED:**CARSON to send \$1500 town budget line INCOME to the Town of Bozrah. First Selectman to be advised. **PASSED-UNANIMOUS**
- 7) **Gazebo:** Discussion ensued concerning the pro's and con's of a gazebo vs. a pavilion style structure. The general consensus is that an open air structure would be most useful for various events on a nearly year round basis. Further examination to follow.
- 8) **Farmers Market Committee:** Miria explained the drive through market experimentation that has been taking place. The winter field protection fencing would need to be removed before this coming Saturday to accommodate smoother traffic flow. There are 18 vendors currently scheduled to participate in this experimental phase and/or the regular market season. A new tent has been purchased by Miria and will be reimbursed upon the presentation of the invoice for same.

- 9) **Homestead and Park Status**: Periodic vandalism issues at the property resulted in the offering of the purchase of surveillance cameras by the Farmers Market Committee. The style and type will be further investigated. Hi-Viz T-shirts for workers will also be purchased.
- 10) **Public Comment**: None
- 11) **Such Other Business**: None presented
- 12) **Adjournment**: Meeting adjourned at 6:27 PM

Respectfully Submitted,
Glenn S. Pianka
For the Commission