

Meeting Minutes

Maple Farms Park Committee

Tuesday, August 2, 2016

6:00 pm Homestead

1. Call meeting to order. A regular meeting of the Town of Bozrah, Maples Farm Park Commission was called to order at 6:15 PM at the Homestead at Maples Farm Park by Lara Stauning, Commission Secretary.

Regular members present: Lara Stauning, Candace Chambers, Jane Angelico

Alternate members present: Dawn Tessmer

Regular Members absent: Miria Toth and John Kemp

Alternate Members absent: Brandon Lathrop

Alternate D. Tessmer seated as a voting member.

Others present: 2 members of the public present

2. Public Comment, 3 minutes per person

Dave Tessmer obtained the garbage cans ordered. Dave was thanked by the Commission for his assistance.

3. Review & Approve Minutes

D. Tessmer made a motion to accept the May 3, 2016 meeting minutes, C. Chambers seconded the motion.

VOTE UNANIMOUS, MOTION CARRIED

4. Review Applications

Application from Lisa LaFrancois of Oakdale, for the use of the homestead 10/30/16 starting 12:00 PM for a baby shower.

L. Stauning made a motion to approve, J. Angelico seconded.

VOTE UNANIMOUS, MOTION CARRIED

5. Security deposit amount/cleaning fee

At a prior meeting it was suggested that the security deposit fee be raised to cover the cleaning fee, which is currently more than the security deposit. It was also suggested that perhaps the security deposit fee be raised to cover any deductible the town would need to pay if there was damage to the property.

L. Stauning reported that in discussion the matter with the First Selectman it was found that the deductible was significant enough (\$500-\$1000) that it might actually prohibit or dissuade people from renting the property.

Returning to the original plan of making the security deposit commensurate with the cleaning fee, it was discussed that at the present time the cleaning fee is unknown as the town can no longer contract with the former cleaning person.

The matter was tabled until a new cleaning person is hired and their fee negotiated. Applications will remain as is until further notice.

6. Need to find new cleaning person, must be insured.

7. Finances-Grants:

Balance as of 7/27/16, \$14,834.05

8. Farmers Market Committee: No report, no members of Farmers Market Committee present to provide report.

9. Upcoming Events:

10/30/16 La Francois baby shower

10. Homestead & Park Status

11. Public Comment:

Dave Tessmer suggested that commission explore the option of renting the upstairs offices to produce revenue to offset costs of maintaining the homestead.

12. Such other business.

None.

13. Adjournment.

J. Angelico made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 6:35 PM. C. Chambers seconded the motion.

VOTE UNANIMOUS, MOTION CARRIED

Meeting adjourned at 6:35 PM

Respectfully Submitted by Lara Stauning, Secretary