

**Spring Hill Farm
Advisory Committee
May 21, 2018
Approved Minutes**

Attendance

Present:

Chair Kendall Kunelius
Emily Kunelius
Colin Costine
Maria Oakley
Chuck Myette
James Piper
Joe Krasowski

Absent:

Cass Buckley
Maryann Boulter
Tiffany Coroka
Joe Castricone

Members of the Public Present at Various Times:

Cindy LeBlanc
Derrick Heins

1. Call to Order – Open Meeting

Chair Kendall Kunelius called the meeting to order at 7:02 pm.

2. Review of Minutes - Tabled

3. Public Comment

Mrs. LeBlanc stated that the final date of the Foodscaping Class would be June 9th from 10-12. Mrs. LeBlanc will get the plants herself and didn't think they would cost more than a couple hundred dollars.

Mr. Heins stated that he was present concerning his RFP for the haying at Spring Hill Farm.

4. Old Business

46 **5. RFP Haying**

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48 Chair Kendall Kunelius stated that the RFP was posted at the last meeting and the deadline for
49 submission was May 15, 2018. Mr. Heins was the only RFP submitted. The BOS had opened his
50 submission but had not discussed it with the Committee yet. Mr. Myette stated that it was on the
51 agenda for Thursday's meeting.

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53 **New Business**

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55 **6. Farmers Market**

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57 Chair Kendall Kunelius asked if anyone wanted to have a Farmers Market. Mr. Myette advised that
58 they had a farm stand there before and one out of the Church and neither were very successful. Ms.
59 Emily Kunelius suggested having an open house at the Farm and having a Farmers Market the same
60 day to get exposure for the farm. Mrs. Oakley stated that in addition to a Farmer's Market they could
61 do an art show at some point. Ms. Emily Kunelius agreed that the open house could feature both. Mr.
62 Myette stated that parking could be an issue because you can't just have people parking on the roads.

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64 Chair Kendall Kunelius advised that August 4th and 5th would be good dates to hold the art show on one
65 day and the Farmer's Market another day. Mr. Myette stated that there was an Agriculture Meeting
66 tomorrow and that they could use the brochure as a basis for the vendors and that they would need to
67 find artists willing to display their work for the art show.

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69 **7. Rental of the High Tunnel**

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71 Chair Kendall Kunelius advised that Ms. Weaver would not be renting the high tunnel.

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73 **8. Miscellaneous**

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75 **Saffron**

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77 Mr. Piper advised that he met with Mrs. Perkins from the Coop Extension who came up with an idea
78 concerning the growing of Saffron for medical use. It can be used for various things and can be very
79 lucrative to grow. Chair Kendall Kunelius felt that it could be a hot commodity. Mr. Piper advised that
80 the harvest is in early Summer and it is established pre-Winter.

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82 **Summer Camp**

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84 Mrs. Oakley advised that she is looking for activities for middle schoolers. They could hike the trails
85 or plant something somewhere to get them involved with the farm.

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87 **Clean up**

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89 Mr. Myette and Mr. LeBlanc had been cleaning up at the Farm. It would be nice to get a crew
90 organized to help out in June.

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92 **9. Adjournment:**

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93 Chair Kendall Kunelius motioned to adjourn at 7:53 pm. Mr. Myette seconded her motion, all in favor,
94 so moved.

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96 Respectfully submitted,

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100 Daniel Hoijer,

101 Recording Secretary