



Town of Sherman
Board of Selectman
Special Meeting
June 2, 2015
7:00 p.m.
Mallory Town Hall

FINAL

Members Present: First Selectman, C. Cope, and Selectman B. Ostrosky

Members Absent: Selectman A. O'Connor

Audience & Invited: A. Mantzaris & E. Motzinger, E. Holub, J. Lescynski, S. Moga, R. Gorman, and V. Scheer (Citizen News)

Call to Order:

First Selectman C. Cope Called the Meeting to Order at 7:01 p.m.

Purpose: To discuss Happy Acres Farm proposed improvements and procedures

First Selectman Cope reviewed list of items in need of repair that Full Circle, LLC presented to the BoS at a previous meeting. On the list was a request to repair the tractor in the amount of \$2,340.00 which the BoS has addressed. Additionally was a request to fix a leak in the basement of the farmhouse. First Selectman Cope has scheduled a plumber to determine the cause of the leak and a quote. The main barn has a structural issue, which has been assessed by an engineer. The BoS is in the process of receiving quotes for repairs and will discuss further. The BoS shared concern regarding the general mowing and upkeep of the roadsides, there have been numerous comments made by the public. Full Circle agreed it is becoming overwhelming with the equipment they have on the property. Discussion followed regarding what type of equipment may be necessary to maintain the mowing. Full Circle shared concern about an eroding bridge in the pasture where the cows pass frequently. First Selectman Cope stated he would take a look at the bridge with Public Works to determine the best resolution. The BoS discussed the request for electrical upgrades throughout the house and barns. Full Circle requested consideration of re-purposing the rear barn to provide shelter for the cows during the winter, until the repairs to the main barn take place. Also discussed, were the barbed wire fences, there are many areas that are in need of repair. Selectman Ostrosky shared concerns regarding disclosure and documentation of repair requests. Mr. Ostrosky requested to ensure transparency regarding the Happy Acres Farm Capital Budget, Operating Budget, all three Selectmen are copied on repair quotes, and bills. Full Circle agreed they will follow this procedure. The BoS reminded Full Circle they need to apply for Town permits when appropriate. The Selectmen congratulated Full Circle on the success of their recent Open House. First Selectman Cope requested Full Circle attend the BoS Monthly Meetings and provide a formal report to the Board on a monthly basis.

Adjournment:

Selectman B. Ostrosky Adjourned the Meeting at 8:20pm.

Christine Branson, Board Clerk

June 9, 2015

APPROVED AS AMENDED AT THE JUNE 25, 2015 REGULAR MEETING

First Selectman, Clay Cope
Selectman, B. Ostrosky
Selectman, A. O'Connor