

Griffin's Dairy Advisory Committee

Meeting Minutes

August 29, 2016

The meeting was brought to order by Chairman Richard Donovan at 7:11 PM with Mr. Donovan, Carolyn Bates, and Lurane Ryerson in attendance. William Kendall had resigned his position on the committee due to this committee being removed from the Designated Municipal Employee list. Interested citizens William Kendall and Thomas Peck were in attendance.

The March 31, 2016 minutes were read, corrected, motion to accept by Lurane, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Carolyn.

Vote to accept - unanimous.

Discussion ensued concerning the difference between the original site plan for Soccer and Lacrosse fields placement and the second site plan recommended by OCPC, and the pending Appeal with DEP of the second plan.

Under new business : Field placement and usage for sports. Presently two smaller fields are located a distance from the Community Gardens. They will be used for practice purposes only, as the ground is not suitable for games. The summer has been hot and dry, with drought conditions at present. It was noted that the deer and other animals have been a problem with the gardens this year. However, several gardens have been very productive due to constant vigilance. The number of gardeners were lower, but the plots were larger.

Mike Franey had offered unofficially to help us establish a gift account for the purpose of buying and erecting a sign for the Former Griffin's Dairy and any other needed signs, etc. so that there is no cost to the town. Motion to ask Mr. Franey to help us in this endeavor with the funds being used at the discretion of this committee by Carolyn, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Lurane. Unanimous vote. At this time the committee will contact various sign companies for quality and price.

Lurane had forwarded to the committee a project which is being implemented in Pembroke by one of their Selectmen. It was decided that it would be a better item for the SAGE committee.

Carolyn mentioned that she had heard, and gone on the Facebook page of Abington Celebrates concerning that group's plan to use Griffin's Dairy for Sunday afternoon, October 16, 2016, for part of their Octoberfest festivities...games, family activities, Beer Garden, etc. We discussed the potential parking problem. No action was taken.

Carolyn stated that she has written a request to the Board of Selectmen to have her position as Clerk of Griffin's Dairy Committee be reinstated as a Designated Town Employee, thus placing the entire committee on that status. Tom Peck stated that he would like to apply to serve on the committee. William Kendall stated that he also would like to be reappointed to the committee. All three will attend the Selectmen's meeting on Sept. 12, 2016.

Motion to adjourn by Lurane, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Carolyn, unanimous vote. Meeting adjourned at 7:53 PM

Respectfully submitted,  
Carolyn C. Bates, Clerk