Town of North Stonington, CT HEWITT FARM COMMITTEE

REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

Monday, May 21, 2018 at 4:30 p.m. New Town Hall Conference Room

The meeting of the Hewitt Farm Committee was called to order by Chairman Ed Harasimowitz in the New Town Hall Conference Room with members Brian Banker, Ellie Banker, Jack Brown, Ed Harasimowitz and Nita Kincaid present. Dick "Coop" Cooper served as Recording Secretary. Tim Chokas and Deirdre Tavares were also present.

1) Approval of 03/26/2018 and 4/23/2018 Meeting Minutes

The 3/26/18 minutes were approved as amended. The 4/23/18 minutes were approved as submitted.

2) Status of Alternate Members

Tim Chokas and Deirdre Tavares expressed their interest in joining the committee. The openings in the committee were one Alternate and one Member. Tim agreed to serve as the Member and Deirdre agreed to become the Alternate.

Ed will submit a letter to the Board of Selectmen requesting that Tim Chokas and Deirdre Tavares be appointed to the Hewitt Farm Committee.

3) Troop 71 Campout Event Form

The committee reviewed the form received from Boy Scout Troop 71. The Troop has requested holding a camp-out on site from June 1st to June 3rd. Ed will notify the Board of Selectmen. The Committee needs to know the specific location on the farm for the campout, if campfires will be made and what type of fire.

4) <u>Installation of Dog Control Signs</u>

The group discussed locations for the new dog signs. Eight sites were identified on the farm map for Tim to move forward with the project.

5) Status of the Pavilion Project

Ed described a meeting with the Rotary Club of the Stoningtons that he and Conservation Commission Chair Bill Ricker had attended to describe our plans for a pavilion and why one is needed at Hewitt Farm. The Hewitt Farm Committee is aware of the annual grant that the Rotary presents for a good project. Ed provided us copies of what he had presented to the club.

Ed also plans to complete an application to the North Stonington Garden Club for an award of funds for the Pavilion Project.

6) Update on Party with the Parties

Ed distributed a letter from Mary Ann Ricker about how the upcoming June Party will be run, including information of the Silent Auction of quality contributions. Proceeds from the auction will be given to the Hewitt Farm to go into our fund for a pavilion.

5) <u>1750 Farm House Maintenance</u>

During the committee's December annual inspection of the Farm House, Ed and Selectman Bob Carlson had noticed a number of items that were deficient. Ed stated that he plans to draft a yearly maintenance program that should be required. He will provide this to the committee at a future meeting.

Respectfully submitted, Richard B. Cooper, Recording Secretary