Town of North Stonington, CT **HEWITT FARM COMMITTEE**

SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES

Monday, July 2, 2018 at 4:30p.m. **New Town Hall Conference Room**

The meeting of the Hewitt Farm Committee was called to order by Chairman Ed Harasimowitz at 4:33p.m. in the New Town Hall Conference Room with members Jack Brown, Nita Kincaid, Tim Chokas and Deirdre Tavares. Bill Ricker, First Selectman Mike Urgo were also in attendance. Deirdre Tavares served as Recording Secretary.

1) Plans for pavilion structure

The contract was signed with Willie Barber for the pavilion foundation. In order to utilize funds from the previous fiscal year the work needs to be complete by mid-August, 2018.

Bill Ricker agreed to be the point of contact for the construction work in Ed's absence and will engage Nita if needed. The adjusted estimate is now \$2,600 for the cement and \$2,700 for the labor, totaling \$5,300. The Conservation Commission contributed \$426 from their remaining funds to the Hewitt Farm account.

The Party for the Parties event raised \$2,367, which will be used for the pavilion in the future.

Jack marked the trees hanging over the pavilion which will need to be trimmed.

2) Thank you notes for silent auction contributors

Ed provided Deirdre with the contributors' addresses, to create the thank you notes for the "Party for the Parties".

3) Election of Officers for Treasurer and Secretary Positions

Unanimous vote for Deirdre to occupy the Secretary position

Treasurer position has been postponed for now

4) Green Gables Remediation – Internal and External Abatement

Contractor said he will begin the work in July and the work will take approximately a month. The future of the farmhouse property was discussed also, and the potential renovations that will be needed. Mike Urgo updated the committee on a future workshop which will be held on town owned properties.

5) Status of Dog Signs

Tim and Deirdre will hang the new dog signs in appropriate locations at Hewitt Farm.

- 6) <u>Care of Trails and other Farm Chores</u>
 Brian is permitted to mow down poison ivy in the meadow.
- 7) Remembrance of Richard Cooper Suggestions and ideas being considered.
- 8) Priorities for July 23, 2018 Agenda
 - Approval of Minutes of 04/23/2018 and 5/21/2018
 - Election of Officers for Treasurer Position
 - Status of Pavilion Plans and Next Steps
 - Green Gables mowing
 - Public Comments
 - Date and priorities for Next Meeting

The meeting was adjourned at 5:45p.m.

Respectfully submitted, Deirdre Tavares