

Game Farm Road Board Meeting

Town of Berne
PO Box 57
Berne, NY 12023

Date: March 1, 2016

Board members present: Ted Kunker, Lee Jones, Mark Sengenberger, Mark Hohengasser, Charles Burgess, Diane Kingston, Richard Ronconi, Karen Schimmer (Town Board Liaison)

Ted Kunker called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

Minutes: Minutes from the February 2, 2016 meeting were unavailable for review.

Guest Comments/Correspondence: None

WinterFest: Mr. Kunker reported that Winterfest was not held due to lack of snow. He stated that he received notice from Tom Wright(?) suggesting that the GFR coordinate a trail-run/orienteering event during the summer. Mr. Hohengasser said he'd help plan. Board members discussed damage done to foot paths by horses, trail maintenance, parking and the need to post trail etiquette signs.

Branding/Name for property: Ms. Schimmer discussed progress toward securing a marketing company to help with the branding/naming of the GFR property. Proposals from firms are currently being accepted.

Grant Committee: Ms. Kingston reported on grant applications for Lowes and Home Depot. Mr. Burgess told the Board of several grant proposal opportunities/deadlines. He said most State grant deadlines have ended for 2016. Ms. Schimmer reminded Board members that all grant proposals need to go before the Town Board. The April 9th reception/open house for potential partners, donors and cooperative marketing efforts was discussed. Mr. Hohengasser moved to change the date for the reception to May 21th. Mr. Ronconi seconded and the motion passed unanimously. Ms. Kingston moved to schedule the reception from 2:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. with a presentation at 3:00 p.m. Mr. Ronconi seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

Working Group on Facilities: Mr. Kunker discussed GFR related capital-expenditure items the Town Board felt needed attention including parking lots, paving and painting buildings. A capital projects sub-committee was formed with Mr. Hohengasser and Mr. Sengenberger as members.

Website: Mr. Kunker reported on the reservation page of the website. Site address is <http://cscress.logical.net>.

Pro Forma - Fees: Mr. Burgess motioned to define for fee purposes, a "resident" of the Town as someone who either resides in the Town of Berne or pays property taxes to the Town. Mr. Sengenberger seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

Camping Sites: The Board discussed sites for camping behind the kiosk near the waterfall.

Mr. Sengenberger moved to adjourn the meeting at 8:42 p.m. Mr. Jones (?) seconded, and the motion passed unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Kathy Hill Brown
GFR Board Secretary