

Barnstable County Agricultural Society
Executive Board Meeting
April 17, 2019

Present: Jay Zavala, Joe Brait, Randy Aronson, Susan Fitzpatrick, Lynn Barry, Judy Flynn, Judy Collins, and Wendy Brown.

Absent: Joanne McCarthy, Pat Briggs, Karen Schwalbe, and Russ Norton.

Meeting was called to order by Jay Zavala at 5:11 PM

Previous meetings minutes were presented to board for acceptance, Jay noted several typos that will be corrected.

Joe Brait motioned to accept the minutes as documented and was 2nd by Judy Collins. So moved to accept meeting minutes.

Old Business:

Wendy reported that the solar project is in process, currently working on surveying and working out the contract and payments. Meeting held with Solsystems and town planner, working through any barriers that may arise.

Will be holding an informal meeting for neighbors of the Cape Cod Fairgrounds as some are upset with solar plans and how it will affect them.

Several regulatory agencies are in support of our solar project. It is a financial benefit to the Town of Falmouth. Building Commissioner Rod Palmer will be coming in may for a meeting.

No paving of parking lots due to environmental concerns.

Equipment update: All new equipment is in. 2015 F250, Skid Steer, Hopper Broom that can get into the buildings for better cleaning, and 2018 mower.

New Business:

Balance sheet shows the decrease in balance of 73,000 that was used for the new equipment.

Non Fair revenue is starting to come in.

If we have a profitable fair this year paying off the money market loan for the equipment will be quick.

The mission statement definition has been completed by Jay and will be posted on the portal for everyone to view.

Committee Vote:

Some committees will be just for the fair and others will be for year round business. All were in favor of fair board committees.

Planning Committee:

May 5, 2018 the visioning meeting made recommendations for the E-Board to move forward with upgrades for Fairgrounds by developing a Planning Committee.

Randy recommended to table the creation of Planning Committee until solar plan has been established and financial support from solar project can be utilized. Since the Planning Committee would be guided by financial availability. The first step would be to define the Planning Committee.

Motion to adjourn by Judy Flynn, second by Lynn Barry, so moved meeting adjourned at 5:45 PM

Respectfully Submitted

Susan Fitzpatrick
Secretary

Next Meeting:

May 17, 2019 5:00 PM