Livestock and Equestrian Heritage Committee
February 26, 2020

Final Minutes

Call to Order: Suzie Bruch called the meeting to order at 5:33 PM

Roll Call:
- Present: Diane Garcia, Nancy Atkinson, Anne Van Camp, Alexis Bartlo, Laura Burkhart, Suzie Bruch, Fentress Hall, Melinda Stoker, Barbara Calbert (new member)
- Absent: Kelly Zeytoonian
- Town Guests: Kevin Bryant, Joseph Balatbat, Jackie Young

Public Communications:
- Van Jepson came by on behalf of his wife (Kathy Franciscan) who is interested in joining LEHC

Approval of Minutes:
- Alexis Bartlo motioned to approve the January 22 minutes, Diane Garcia seconded. Motion passed.

Old Business:
- Project List (found here)
  - #3 Equine Facility Development
  - Jackie Young, via Marilyn Dwyer, sent LEHC the Town's Planning Commission Report which shows regulations for barn ADU's
  - Jackie provided an overview of the Town's review and approval process for a Code Amendment (paved area surface coverage use cases).
  - NEW PROCESS: If an exception gets approved by Town Council, the Town will contact Suzie Bruch as initial next step to ensure LEHC can weigh in on the project and liaise with Town.
  - To do: Fentress Hall, Suzie Bruch, Anne Van Camp and Jackie to meet March 17 and review LEHC's drafted language. Updated language to be reviewed at March 25 LEHC meeting.
  - Joseph will pull addresses of stable permits and look at lot size. This will provide data points to understand impact of paved area exceptions for smaller lots relative to larger properties.
  - Subcommittee will schedule farm tour with Joseph to provide orientation to horse keeping requirements, paddocks, pastures etc.

- Communications plans to increase inclusivity
  - For barn owners
  - Survey including number of horses on property and how LEHC can provide utility
  - Emergency planning, including resources, numbers, specific steps, etc.
  - Free reflective signs highlighting the presence of livestock on site
  - For horse owners
  - Emergency planning, including resources, numbers, specific steps, etc.
  - For everyone else in the community

- Guide about building barns & paddocks – the process, who to work with, resources, etc.
- Do we need to do another safety/fire plan? What materials to produce/what educational event we might hold or collaborate with PV or fire department re: emergency planning?

- Town Council Member Chris Shaw had recommended 4-H program to enhance livestock awareness and community participation
  - Melinda to review current local resources, eg Canada 4-H club
  - Consider chicken keeping and care guide
  - Consider including resource guide for small livestock (goats, sheep, alpacas, rabbits)

Adjournment: There being no further business, Melinda moved to adjourn, Suzie seconded. Meeting adjourned at xxxx PM. Respectfully submitted, Laura Burkhart & Suzie Bruch
Have a beautiful