



**TOWN OF BOXBOROUGH
NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING
Meeting Minutes**

BOARD/COMMITTEE: Steel Farm Advisory Committee

MEETING DATE: April 13, 2023

TIME: 7:00 PM

PLACE: Boxborough Historical Society Museum, 575 Middle Road, Boxborough, MA

Members Present: Arden Veley (Chair), Christopher Hydak (Clerk), Melissa MacGillvray, John Skinner

Non-Members Present: Robin Lazarow, Clifton Kangas

1. Approve minutes of March 2nd: John made a motion to approve and Arden seconded. All in favor. Motion passed.
2. First Draft of Town Presentation: Christopher presented the first draft and received good feedback on the direction. We will meet in a few weeks for a second draft.
3. Discuss possible 3 minute talking points: We didn't discuss the talking points specifically, but we did discuss who could possibly give them. We have a list of 5-6 people that might be interested. We need to follow up with them to confirm.
4. Recap 5K Race at Steele Farm on April 2nd: The 5K race was a great experience for us and hopefully for the attendees. We had many people looking inside the farmhouse and at our table with items loaned from the Boxborough Historical Society. It was a well-attended event and it was well worth our trouble for the exposure.
5. Plan a work day to cut the old stumps: We agreed this task could be done some time in the future.
6. Plan a work day to flag and dig 50 holes for the Christmas tree saplings: The samplings came in on Monday and they need to be planted by Saturday. We decided to meet at 8am on Saturday to do this work.
7. Plan a work day to plant the saplings. See previous item. This will be done this upcoming Saturday at 8am.
8. Old Business.
 - a. Ice House: The DiLorenzo's came by during the 5K and introduced themselves. They said they are still committed to painting the ice house. Arden will be meeting with the DiLorenzo family regarding painting. We will get their opinion on the roof and side shingles, which might need to be replaced before the painting. The Boxborough Historical Society had been given some money in honor of Jeanne which might be very useful here. John Skinner wanted to be involved in this conversation.
 - b. The well: Clifton Kangas mentioned that he has a drill and would be willing to drill a hole in the old well. Arden will give Clifton Kangas Owen Neville's contact information so the two can coordinate the drilling of the hole in the middle of the well cap
9. New Business:

- a. Tractor and Brush Cutter need service: Arden contacted Fran and was told he would take care of it. Incidentally, Ken Whitcomb is leaving for the summer on July 10th.
 - b. Additional help from the Buildings and Grounds: Arden will walk the grounds with Fran to discuss additional projects they could potentially help with. Arden will arrange a date. Here are some thoughts:
 - i. Cut the tree in the back of the foundation
 - ii. There were a few trees that fell on the path which need to be cleared
 - iii. It would be nice to trim the tree over the pond so that we could have ice skaters in the winter.
 - c. A/B Community Service Volunteers: Arden mentioned that there is some group that has adult volunteers that might be willing to help with some pruning or brush cutting. Arden will follow up with them and then arrange the dates.
 - d. Write Article for the Action Limited by Friday the 14th.
10. Next Meeting Date: The SFAC will meet next on April 27th 2023 to focus on the town meeting presentation
11. Adjournment: Christopher proposed adjournment at 8:05 PM, seconded by John. All in favor. The motion passed.