Town of North Stonington, CT HEWITT FARM COMMITTEE

REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

Monday, December 10, 2012 at 3:00 p.m New Town Hall Conference Room

The meeting of the Hewitt Farm Committee was called to order by Nita Kincaid at 3:06 p.m. in the New Town Hall Conference Room with members Ellie Banker, Dick (Coop) Cooper, Ed Harasimowitz, and Nita Kincaid present. Jack Brown joined the meeting at 3:40 p.m.

1) Approve 11/26/12 & 12/05/12 Special Meeting Minutes

Nita motioned and Ellie seconded to approve the 11/26/12 Special Meeting Minutes as corrected. The motion carried.

Nita motioned and Ed seconded to approve the 12/05/12 Special Meeting Minutes. The motion carried.

Nita asked that the Executive Session on the agenda be moved until later in the meeting, since Jack Brown had an appointment that would cause him to arrive late. The committee agreed to the change.

2) Status of rental leases: Fireplace & Insurance issues

Nita reported that First Selectman Mullane is waiting for the inspection report from Armstrong Chimney Services. We will then finalize any needed changes to the residential leases and again request the tenants' signatures.

Ed stated that the committee should proceed with updating the leases to prohibit the use of fireplaces in both residences. The group agreed to wait until it can review the recommendations in the Armstrong report.

Nita stated that further review by her and Administrative Assistant Robin Roohr showed that the wording of one tenants's insurance policy with regard to liability is all that a renter will be able to get. The other tenant has not yet obtained such a policy

3) Members' updates on projects & any additional items for group discussion

Nita shared a letter from Ginnie Deisher, Girl Scout Whalers Service Unit, inviting the committee to attend a ceremony recognizing Karen Leiper's receipt of the Girl Scout Gold Award. Nita, and possibly Ellie, will attend to represent the committee.

Coop reported that Jim Cowan has agreed to meet with the committee at 4:00 p.m. on December 17, 2012 to discuss the mowing of the meadows.

4) Continuation of the Hayfield proposal evaluations

Upon Jack Brown's arrived at 3:40 p.m., Nita declared the meeting In Executive Session for purposes of continuing the evaluation of proposals received in response to the Request for Proposals to Harvest the Hewitt Farm Hayfields.

Committee members in attendance for the Executive Session were Ellie Banker, Jack Brown, Dick (Coop) Cooper, Ed Harasimowitz, and Nita Kincaid.

The meeting adjourned at 5:00 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted, Richard B. Cooper