

**Town of North Stonington, CT**  
**HEWITT FARM COMMITTEE**

**REGULAR MEETING MINUTES**

**Monday, September 8, 2014 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 3:10 p.m. in the New Town Hall Conference Room with members Ellie Banker, Jack Brown, Dick (Coop) Cooper, Ed Harasimowitz and Nita Kincaid present. Cindy Faucher arrived at 3:10 p.m.

1) Approve 08/25/2014 Meeting Minutes

Ed motioned and Jack seconded to approve the 08/25/2014 Meeting Minutes. The motion carried.

2) Status of Dam Reconstruction Project

Nita informed the committee that the contract between the Town of North Stonington and Mattern Construction for the reconstruction of Hewitt Dam is awaiting signatures.

Nita distributed the proposed work schedule from Mattern and the committee agreed that it would monitor progress of the work as it proceeds.

3) Eagle Scout Project

Nita distributed a short list describing projects that could be undertaken as an Eagle Scout project. After brief discussion the group agreed that the list could be expanded somewhat to include larger projects such as a wildlife observation platform and pavilion just in case there is such an interest.

In the meantime, the short list has been given to Roy Amaral, candidate for Eagle Scout, for his consideration.

4) Community Garden

The Community Garden Association has invited the Hewitt Farm Committee to attend its annual harvest picnic on September 27, 2014.

Jack asked if anyone knew anything about the rolls of rusty fencing that have been placed next to the corncrib. He believes they were recovered from the farmer's dump along the Mystic Road Trail. Assuming they are for disposal, Coop offered to remove them to the Recycling Center. The group agreed, however, to first check with the

Community Garden Association to make sure the rolls are not wanted. Jack will make this communication and notify Coop accordingly.

5) Greene Gables

Jack asked the Highway Department not to mow the Greene Gables Meadow for the remainder of this year.

Nita distributed copies of an email from Historical Society President Frank Eppinger received during the past week. The committee read and discussed its contents.

6) Hayfields Agreement

Also during the past week, Ron Lewis communicated to Nita that he has completed treatment and overseeding of the hayfields in accordance with recommendations of the NRCS.

7) The Cabin

Nita informed the group that the tenant who previously lived in the Cabin has given notice to vacate last week and has now departed. The committee agreed to adjourn to the cabin site to inspect it and to determine whether to recommend that the security deposit being held by the Town should be returned.

8) ICONS

Nita distributed copies of the committee's submission to ICONS for use in its third-quarter publication. The group agreed the submission was excellent.

Nita stated that ICONS is holding a "Community Conversation" from 8:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. on Saturday, October 18, 2014. Committee members are encouraged to attend.

9) Public Comments and Questions

- None

10) Priorities for September 22, 2014 Agenda

- Continue discussion of the volunteer project list
- Update on dam reconstruction
- Update on Greene Gables

Respectfully submitted, Richard B. Cooper