

## **GREENE BARN AD HOC COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES**

**DATE:** July 29, 2019

**PLACE:** Forest Preserve District Headquarters, Wheaton, IL

**COMMITTEE MEMBERS PRESENT:** Rachel Jenness, Diane Sellinger, Britney Toussaint, Troy Cooper and Jim Hill

**FPDDC PERSONNEL PRESENT:** Wayne Zaininger, Mary Lou Wherli

**NON-COMMITTEE MEMBERS PRESENT:** Roman and Carrie Szczesniak,

**CALL TO ORDER:** 7:00 p.m.

### **CHAIRPERSON'S REMARKS:**

Welcome. The minutes for the meeting on July 15, 2019 were approved

### **COMMITTEE COMMENTS/DISCUSSION:**

- Committee reviewed initial rough draft of History, Vision, Goals and Objectives for the Greene Barn Complex modeled after a document and similarly structured to the History, Vision, Goals and Objectives of the St. James Farm.
  - Committee members brainstormed potential additional concepts for this document.
  - Most importantly the committee decided to include education and the recommendation that this topic be inserted either as a Goal, or an Objective listed under each Goal, where applicable.
  - Conversation included Goal 1 encompassing Goal 6. Decision left open for further discussion.
  - It was determined that the wording for Goal 7 be adjusted to reflect the objective as The Greene Barn complex maintaining a neutral revenue.
  - Goal 4 needed to include the recycling of existing materials.
- It was confirmed that Kevin Horsfall will be attending the next ad Hoc meeting schedule for Aug. 12. The committee discussed various topics to address with Mr. Horsfall. These topics include steps taken to bring the complex to fuller use by the public, ADA accessibility, safety, water and electricity accessibility, expanding the lower level height. Wayne Zaininger will forward topics to Mr. Horsfall in preparation of Aug 12 committee meeting.
- Committee discussed Tinkergarten agreement/partnership with the FPDDC. Committee members viewed the partnership in various ways. The committee had previously thought that only partnerships with non-profits would be acceptable for the Greene Barn complex. The Tinkergarten partnership opens up the possibility of partnerships between for-profit businesses and the Greene Barn. The committee took a vote and the decision was made to write an additional press release and expand the search for partnerships to include for-profit businesses.

- The committee discussed proposing two methods/options for the Forest Preserve to operate the Greene Barn Complex. Starting a non-profit to support/operate/manage the complex OR requesting the FPDDC hire additional staff/personnel. Thought was given to what avenue of management would be most likely to succeed, most likely to be approved by the board.
- Race organizers, Diane Sellinger, Britney Toussaint and Rachel Jenness provided details regarding marketing and publicity for the Rooted Acoustic Barn Raising. Other members of the committee were notified of sponsors. The FPDDC is supporting the event in light of all proceeds going to the Friends of the Preserve. Their support is demonstrated by disseminating the 8-page circular at headquarters and posting the flyer throughout the Greene Valley Forest Preserve, St. James Farm, etc.
- John Morley will be invited to the August 26 committee meeting

### **Public Comment:**

Community member provided birds-eye view of map of the barn (to committee members absent last meeting) with ideas/suggestions for layout and asked if there were any questions related to the map

**Adjourn 8:30pm**