

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

**DATE:** August 12, 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, Kevin Horsfall

**NON-COMMITTEE MEMBERS PRESENT:** Roman and Carrie Szczesniak, Bob Sellinger, Shannon Greene Robb

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

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

Welcome. The minutes for the meeting on July 29, 2019 were approved

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

Kevin Horsefall spoke to the committee about his experience with forest preserve projects. He focused on emphasizing following all codes for permits. He described the steps to the development of a project including

1. Program development
2. Establish vision, goals, objectives.
3. Establish budget
4. Buy in at board level - 3 to 6 months
5. Schematic conceptual design - how everything fits together
6. Find flaws or crinkles
7. Assigning costs
8. Design development and eliminate components that don't fit
9. Project permits
10. Construction
11. Long term maintenance

Projects take two to two and half years from conceptualized idea to start construction. Projects take 3 to 4 years for steps 1-9 typically up to take 5 years to implement. Further topics of discussion included concepts for safety and accessibility, public assembly requirements, occupancy requirements, zoning (not needed), budget, stabilization, proximity of water, sewer.

Committee discussed groups/builders that are specific in nature/skill for barn renovation vs. company that may use modern methods to stabilize and renovate the barn.

Diane Sellinger presented the committee with her revision proposal and presentation approach. Diane met with Anamari Dorgan and shared information about the educational centers throughout the FPDDC and trends in regard to current activity in the Greene Valley Forest Preserve.

**Public Comment:**

Community member mentioned a funneled approach, a vetting of partners.

Committee members agreed that once the proper people in appropriate positions capable of forming partnerships were identified then a natural vetting process would be taking place. Committee discussed and emphasized the importance of identifying and meeting with people/partners who are in these proper positions/roles, capable of making financially sound decisions for a future partnership with the barn.

Community member mentioned reading the press release. She was introduced and at the request of a committee member, Shannon Greene Robb talked briefly about her two companies, Arranmore Arts and Arranmore Events. Shannon was invited to present more information and her vision to the committee at the August 26 meeting.

**Adjourn 9:00pm**

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