

## GREENE BARN AD HOC COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES

**DATE:** March 4, 2019  
**PLACE:** Forest Preserve District Headquarters, Wheaton, IL

**COMMITTEE MEMBERS PRESENT:** Rachel Jenness, Chairperson, Diane Sellinger, Britney Toussaint, Jim Hill, Troy Cooper (absent)

**FPDDC PERSONNEL PRESENT:** Mary Lou Wehrli,, District 5 Commissioner, Wayne Zaininger, St. James Farm site manager

**NON COMMITTEE MEMBERS PRESENT:** none  
**CALL TO ORDER:** 7:00 p.m.

### CHAIRPERSON'S REMARKS:

- \* Welcome to committee member, Jim Hill
- \* Our next meeting is Mon., March 18 at 7 p.m. at St. James Farm.
- \* PowerPoint presentation on unique outdoor attractions to consider for all ages, including bocce ball, sandbox w/ pump, fire pit, Hobson Oak shaped picnic tables, Air Stream food truck, wildflower gardens, corn hole, log walks, chess boards, a small outdoor theater and more.
- \* Research to continue looking at converted re-use barns throughout the U.S.
- \* Consider upgrades in phases for barn/cottage inside and outside.
- \* Experienced commercial realtor invited to 4/1 mtg. to discuss financial impact of vendor options.

### COMMITTEE MEMBER REMARKS:

- \* Wayne Zaininger will work on member's request to see the inside of Oak Cottage.
- \* Many interesting ideas were shared about sensory experiences that would be particularly beneficial to special needs children.
- \* The various types of unique partnerships/employee models were compared for several FPDDC sites along with possibility of meeting with various managers.
- \* Bond referendum options, current available funds, past and present were explored.
- \*Inquiries regarding insulation upgrade options that maintain the interior "charm"
- \*Mosquito abatement via FPDDC focus-- repelling, not killing. Attendees bring own.
- \*Discussed not-for-profit models, donation structure.
- \*Emphasized uniqueness of "community barn" within residential area re: noise.
- \*The need to avoid singular/limiting venues was discussed.
- \*Looked at various risk vs. neighborhood impact levels for three general use options
- \*Outreach to neighboring village municipality will be pursued.

### COMMISSIONER COMMENT:

- \*Consider impact to outside work completed when starting inside work, if done in phases.
- \*Consider inviting local resident/expert on high profile projects to upcoming meeting.

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