

MAPLES FARM PARK COMMISSION

**REGULAR MEETING**

**APRIL 7, 2021**

**5:30 PM- ZOOM**

**MINUTES**

- 1) **Call Meeting To Order:** Meeting called to order at 5:32PM by Chairman Gray.  
Attendance: Michele Addabo, Debra White-Palmer, Miria Gray, Gina Bitgood, Jay Carson, Glenn Pianka
  
- 2) **Public Comment:** None
  
- 3) **Review and Approve Minutes of Regular Meeting March 3, 2021**  
**MOTION:** Addabo /**SECONDED:** White-Palmer **PASSED: UNANIMOUS**  
Some discussion concerning appointment/reappointment dates was raised by Miria Gray due to a communication from Kathy Strong at Town Hall. This should be up to date in relation to the appointment/position swaps which took place during the meeting of March 3, 2021. A key to the Homestead will be provided to Debra White-Palmer
  
- 4) **Review Applications:**  
**-Jason Vincent Memorial 04/25/21** Miria Gray gave approval as the event is close. Discussion by Pianka that any and all events/bookings should be run by other members of the MFP Commission to assure Town acknowledgement and assumption of liability exposure. This can be done by email consensus and subsequently entered into the Meeting Minutes of the next Regular Meeting  
  
**-Metra Aledia-Wedding using House and Property 07/10/21 (40-50 people)**  
Bozrah resident/\$350 rental fee **APPROVED-UNANIMOUS**  
  
**-Michele Tate-Baby Shower using House and Property 08/01/21 (30-40 people)**  
\$150 Fee/ \$100 Deposit received **APPROVED-UNANIMOUS**
  
- 5) **Pavilion Update:** Pianka reported that since approval was already in place to move this project forward that he would re-apply for a lost Building Permit. That local contractor/resident Steve Coit has agreed to provide low cost/no cost excavation service which is currently estimated at \$10,000 plus. The concrete portion will be put out to bid and submitted for Commission review/approval. **The window of grounds availability for the phase of the construction is MAY 9-----JULY 8, 2021**

- 6) **Rental of Office Space:** The interested renter for the large office space has withdrawn interest. The smaller space is still in limbo and will be followed through by Debra White-Palmer.
- 7) **Farmers Market Committee Report:** Some discussion ensued over the branding of all events at Maples Farm Park as BOZRAH FARMERS MARKET, particularly the upcoming scheduled **Town of Bozrah Community Yard Sale** which has no indication that it is a Maples Farm Park Commission sponsored event, but instead, implies that it is a Town of Bozrah event. Pianka felt it important to acknowledge the Maples Farm Park Commission for such promotion. Miria Gray discussed the 5,000 plus followers for the Bozrah Farmers Market Facebook page and how important that advertising venue is.

Miria reported that July 9 is opening night for the seasonal **Bozrah Farmers Market**. The **Spring Market** will be held on May 8<sup>th</sup> with vendors having starter seedlings, house plants, crafters and food vendors. Masks will be required. Pianka brought forth a concern on behalf of the Bozrah Fire Department that the Spring Market might be in conflict with their event. It was determined that it was not.

June 5<sup>th</sup> is the confirmed date for the **Community Yard Sale Event**. Miria announced that the proceeds from that event will be directed to the pavilion/gazebo project. Town Accounting Administrator will be contacted to be sure that such **Dedicated Funds** will be segregated in QuickBooks

Miria further reported that it is her inclination to not have live music at this year's Bozrah Farmers Market

- 8) **Homestead and Park Status:** Miria to provide alarm brand and model information to be able to order the alarm package. Pianka reported that the painting contractor has been contacted to finish sides 3 and 4 before the end of the Fiscal Year.
- 9) **Public Comment:** None
- 10) **Such Other Business:** None
- 11) **Adjournment:** 6:29 PM

Respectfully Submitted,  
Glenn S. Pianka  
Recording Secretary