



Zechariah Boodey Farmstead Committee
Meeting Minutes
Town of New Durham NH

January 8, 2024

Approved as Presented February 12, 2024 CEO, Chair

Present: Scott Drummey, Cathy Orlowicz, Crissa Evans, Sherry Cullimore. Absent: Cat Murzyn. No guests or Public were present.

The meeting started at 6 pm, in the New Durham Town Hall.

Following a review of the agenda, the Chair asked to add a conversation with Shawn Perry to the agenda.

Scott moved to approve the meeting minutes of December 11, 2024, as presented. Crissa seconded the motion. The vote was 4-0-0 in favor of the motion.

The Chair's record for the end of year 2023 balance of the Zechariah Boodey Farmstead Expendable Trust is \$15,394.74 with available funds of \$14,144.74.

The printing of the newsletter came to \$513.28, with a total of 325 copies printed. These 2023 Operating Budget funds were used to re-reimburse the Chair for the expense. The funds used are from line items 01-4589-20-551 and 01-4589-20-625. The remaining unspent balance for 2023 is \$39.22. Staples was used this time.

Prime Trailer informed the Chair of an outstanding invoice for the month of October when the December invoice was received. The Chair followed up with the current Finance Manager. It was determined the invoice had not been processed. It had fallen through the cracks during the change of personnel within the department, which took place in October. This has been resolved, and October and December rentals have been processed. The vendor has been contacted and appreciates our prompt response.

December 15, 2023, the Trustees of the Trust Funds and the Board of Selectmen have taken action to finally establish the account to hold charitable donations received to support the Zechariah Boodey Farmstead Project, and the trust is to be called the **Zechariah Boodey Farmstead Expendable Trust**. This account will be used for donated funds and other non-taxed funds. This account will hold funds and be treated as any other trust fund. This action will finally address concerns brought forward by the town's auditors. Since 2007, the Chair of the Zechariah Boodey Farmstead Committee has worked with many Boards of Selectmen, finance people, Town Administrators, and Trustees of Trust Funds to bring this to fruition.

The Zechariah Boodey Budget Operating Budget request for 2024 is \$7,200.00 and was approved by the Budget committee. (The Select Board approved it during one of their meetings.) The Budget Committee will hold a Public Hearing on the 2024 Budget and Town Warrant in the Community Room on January 10, 2024. The Chair has encouraged Committee members to attend.

Shawn Perry expressed his wish to participate in the Revels event this summer. He wants to do some demonstrations, and he suggested we talk with Will Truax about being a part of the event. Cathy will be meeting with Shawn in 2 weeks. She has told him she needs the report of the barn and the house as soon as possible so we can move on with the project.

The Boodey site is snow-covered. Cathy has pictures of the snow-covered piles of gravel, loam, stumps, and rock!

Fran Frye recently resigned from the committee. The Select Board accepted her resignation letter and the Select Board will write her a letter. Scott is writing up a Proclamation for Fran. Crissa is presenting a signed copy of our cookbook and a picture of the Boodey House. Sherry will pick up Fran and bring her flowers. Cathy will send examples of proclamations to Scott.

The 2023 annual report is due; the articles that were written for the Boodey Chronicle will be submitted as the report.



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The Boodey Revels will be on July 13, 2024. Crissa will contact Celeste from the Rec Dept for some ideas on kids' games. Celeste dropped in, and she was asked if she, as the Rec Director, would be interested in collaborating with us for the Revels event. She suggested a scavenger hunt. She would need support to organize and with the day of the event. Crissa will follow up with Celeste. Crissa has also contacted Dave Stuart from the fire department as to whether we will be able to have a fire truck on the site that day. There are no promises, as the timeline is too far out to say yes. Crissa will follow up in May. A letter will be written to the Collaborative to see if they would consider an electric bike or any other item they see fit as a raffle during the Revels.

There was discussion about possibly organizing a New Year's Eve event.

The next meeting is February 12, 2024, at 6:00 pm at the New Durham Town Hall, Main Street.

Sherry moved to adjourn the meeting at 8:12 pm. Scott seconded the motion; The vote was 4-0-0 in favor. The meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully Submitted
Sherry Cullimore, Scribe

Respectfully retyped
Catherine Orlowicz, Chair