

Sitka Local Foods Network

Board of Directors Meeting
November 1, 2010 – 5:00pm
See House

MINUTES

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 5:10 pm by Board Chair/President Kerry MacLane

ROLL CALL

Board Members Present: Kerry MacLane; Linda Wilson; Lisa Sadleir-Hart; Tom Crane;
; Johanna Willingham (Guevin); Doug Osborne (departed 6:00); Lynnda Strong (arrived 5:26)

Board Members Absent: Natalie Sattler, Susan Brawnlyn

Others Present: None

AGENDA

Insurance for SLFN was added as an item under New Business.

MINUTES

Kerry MacLane reviewed the minutes October 11, 2010

The minutes were amended to reflect that Linda Wilson was present at the meeting.

MOTION: **M/S Wilson/Osborne** moved to approve the minutes of October 11, 2010 as amended.

ACTION: **Motion PASSED 6/0** on a voice vote.

FINANCIALS

There was no financial activity to report.

MOTION: **M/S Wilson/Willingham** moved to approve opening a money market account at ALPS in the amount of \$2,500 if cost effective.

ACTION: **Motion PASSED 6/0** on a voice vote.

Mr. MacLane stated that payment of an additional \$100 is needed to cover the increased IRS fee for . 501 (c) (3) application. Ms. Sadleir-Hart said she would issue a check.

The contract with Bill Payton is now closed and he has been paid for work completed.

The Fruit Tree work group would like to have a place to park funds.

MOTION: **M/S Sadleir-Hart/Osborne** moved to create a new ledger class for fruit tree funds.

ACTION: **Motion PASSED 6/0** on a voice vote.

A quote for insurance coverage was received from Stedman Insurance. The general liability policy would cost over \$1,000. St. Peters requires SLFN to have liability insurance prior to signing an extension for use of St. Peters Fellowship Farm.

MOTION: **M/S MacLane/Willingham** moved to purchase an insurance policy per the Venneberg quote, pending approval by St. Peters.

ACTION: **Motion PASSED 6/0** on a voice vote.

The Board remains open to other options, but understands that the insurance needs to be purchased soon.

PROJECT UPDATES

A. Farmers Market

It is time to start lining up growers for the 2011 market season. There is increased competition for locally grown food and more growers are needed, if there will be enough produce to supply the markets.

A suggestion was made to offer mini-grants to local growers to buy seed, etc... for the 2011 season.

B. Education

The local television channel will air a program on the Alaska Food Policy Council meeting.

A luncheon will be held on November 19th at Pacific High School to demonstrate the possibilities for including fish in school lunches. A meeting will follow to discuss the proposed trial program to include local fish as a menu option for lunch at Blatchley Middle School once per month from January thru May 2011.

The Fruit Tree work group, established at the 2010 Health Summit, had its first meeting, with a second meeting scheduled for November 8th. The goal is to plant 200 fruit trees in Sitka before October 2011. Members of the working group include several SLFN members. And the project meets the main goal of the SLFN to produce more food locally.

There are several events in November that provide an opportunity for SLFN exposure:

- November 13th – Wild Foods potluck at Centennial Hall SLFN will share a table with the fruit tree group.
- November 17th – Mr. MacLane will give a five minute talk at the SCS fundraising dinner. Some locally grown produce will be donated by Ms. Wilson on behalf of SLFN.
- November 20th – SLFN will have a table at the Wild and Scenic Film Festival.

The Sitka Economic Development association has offered to allow SLFN use of its 8' x 10' trade show display fixture. Graphic materials and text need to be developed for the display. Mr. MacLane will work on designing a display and getting a quote on the cost for printing photos.

C. Sitka Community Greenhouse

Mr. MacLane and Mr. Crane have walked over the new proposed site next to Blatchley Middle School. The site requires 20' setbacks and could accommodate three 30' x 100' greenhouses and a head house.

Soil tests and a site survey need to be done in order to determine final design requirements and the cost for development this parcel. There is a lot of muskeg on this lot.

The International Greenhouse company can provide engineering work.

NEW BUSINESS

SLFN Office

The Unitarian Universalist organization has provided a small office space in their building at 408 Marine Street. A lock box for a key, needs to be purchased for SLFN. An old desk needs to be moved from the office.

MOTION: **M/S Sadleir-Hart/Willingham** moved to approve authorization for Mr. MacLane to rent a refrigerator hand truck to move the office desk and to purchase a lock box for the officer key..

ACTION: **Motion PASSED 5/0**

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Ludvig's Bistro has used cooking oil to get rid of.

SCS is looking for applicants for an Americorps volunteer position.

Johanna Willingham is resigning her position on the SLFN Board as of this month in order to go back to school.

ADJOURNMENT

MOTION: **M/S Sadleir-Hart/Crane** moved to adjourn the meeting.

ACTION: **Motion PASSED 5/0** on a voice vote.

The meeting adjourned at 6:34 pm.