

**Town of Columbia**

**Szegda Farm Management Committee**

**Wednesday, March 8, 2017**

Present: Tom McGrath, Gary King, Nancy Schwartz, and Mark Volza

The meeting opened at 7:07 PM.

The minutes of 1/11/17 were approved with the following correction: Ag usage of units 5&6 – the additional clearing was done by DPW (not Walt).

Audience of Citizens:

Old business:

Budget 2017-2018 – Mark reported that the budget is off to FIPAC.

Steward report – Tom walked trails on May 6 & 7, cleaning up some blow-downs. They are now in good shape.

Agriculture usage of Ag units 5 & 6 – Gary & Tom will talk to Walt about what the next actions will be and when.

Community garden – Mark will investigate installing a chain link fence around the garden instead of replacing the plastic deer mesh as originally planned this year. He will work with Bob Ulkus on this and shelving options in the locked barn area.

Winter sledding, hiking, etc. – The upper parking lot as plowed after the 2/9/17 snowstorm allowing sledding, x-country skiing and snowshoeing. Mark commented that the rec department rented out 4-5 pairs of snowshoes last month.

Dog Park – Mark & Tom will check out viable locations at Szegda for a dog park.

New business:

The meeting adjourned at 7:40 PM.

Next Regular meeting: May 10, 2017

Respectfully submitted,

Nancy Schwartz, SFMC secretary