**THE ROWLAND CO-OP**

**MEETING MINUTES**

**November 16, 2019**

**Participants:** Lorraine, Kenny, Caryn, Christine, Laurel, Charlie, Randy, others?

1. **Call to Order:** 2:10 pm
2. **Minutes of last meeting:** Approved as presented
3. **Treasurer’s report:** Net worth: $90.70. All bills have been paid. A statement of all bank transactions thus far was presented to members.
4. **Water Update:** Emails were sent to Mary Ann Seese and Charles Maroni of the DEP, Jody Rebuck of the BLMGS, and Jimmy Sandor, local engineer. Jody has not been able to find the well drillers log which may have enabled us to use the current water supply. Without it, Charles Maroni has said that we need to obtain the approval of a Licensed Professional Geologist to use the current water supply. Jimmy Sandor suggested that we dig a new well in the canal past the parking lot so that we have 100 feet from the post office septic tank. Emil Shields was mentioned as another potential well driller.
5. **Bylaws Change:** The Rowland Co-op Bylaws currently state that the Board of Directors consists of five members. There are currently six members. The board discussed the current structure and the need for change. Charlie Weisman discussed his experience with housing coop boards.

At the last meeting Kenny made a motion proposing that the bylaws be amended to show nine Board members. At this meeting the motion passed for a second time, so the proposed change carries. The Bylaws should now state that the Board of Directors consists of up to nine members.

**6. Members agreed to the following upcoming events:**

 November 28 - Community Thanksgiving Dinner at the Coop, 2:00 – 6:00 pm
 November 29 – Christmas Decorating, 10:00 – 4:00
 December 21 - meeting 2:00 – 3:00, Christmas/Winter Solstice party 3:00 –

**7. Other discussion:**

 Charlie Weisman suggested that the coop should try to schedule some events around the train events. He emphasized the importance of the flood of 1955 to local history.

Kenny mentioned a recent email suggesting that coop email should be sent out using BCC. All agreed.

 The Sons of Norway Christmas Party is scheduled for Saturday, December 7 at 11:00 am at Woodloch.

The meeting adjourned at 2:50

Respectfully submitted: Kenny Christianson, President