

Kingston Conservation Commission

Minutes - March 14, 2013

Attending: Evy Nathan, Cory Evans, Dave Ingalls, Marghi Bean, Michael Sallade, and guest: Sarah Sallade

Minutes Accepted as presented.

Treasurer's report: \$3,309 in checking

\$9,089 in Towne Forest MM account

Increase in KCC budget was voted down at the town meeting when the town budget failed and reverted to the default budget.

Correspondence:

Planning Board plans for review:

6 Chase St. - presented a plan to move a septic system to the back of the property.

Trendezza - Elderly housing located on Rt. 107.

Questioned the wetlands set back and numbers of units.

Benevento/Galloway Roadstone Dr. Installing a propane tank and accessory equipment for making an asphalt/sand mix for a paving mixture. Need to indicate wetlands on plan. Have questions on placement of propane tank to lot line.

Rt. 125 - needs a gravel drive/access across wetlands to the property. Have indicated an 18" culvert. Need to ask Road Agent about acceptable sizes for culverts. Should there be an alternative driveway?

Question from Timothy Lavalley on Jerico Rd., about an old (July 26, 1991) file. Evy could not find it.

New Business

Corey had a question about what rules apply the various Town properties ? Answer is that each easement is set up with ruling that are customized to that piece of property.

It was voted to partner with ERSALAC on the Vernal Pool Workshop on April 27th.

South east Watershed Alliance meets 6 times a year and needs a member from KCC. Michael Sallade said he was willing to try it but not to be a permanent member right away.

Evy is organizing a project with Mrs. Smith's third grade to plant a birch tree on the Bakie School grounds for Arbor Day.

We need signs for the town Forests and will use the new logo.

A definition of forest management needs to be cleared up on the town website. We, as a town, manage the town properties. South East Land Trust holds the easement.

Carol Croteau has reminded us that we need to take a formal vote on all sponsorships and projects in the future. All agreed.

Sarah Sallade presented what is happening at the SRHS Ecology Sciences classes concerning the Spring project of Rain Gardens on Pow Wow Pond. She is working with the English and Social Studies classes to make it an interactive project. We need to know her equipment needs. Eg: plants, seeds, fill etc. Perhaps Magnussens's farm would be a good resource for this.

Prizes are needed for Wild Kingston Photo Contest in July. Start early! Cory mentioned a paddle tour of Kingston Lake could be a prize. Other ideas needed. Will also need a new poster. Marghi will get the poster done as she has the file from last year.

KCC will partner with the Pow Wow Pond Association for the clean up day in May.

Old Business

Evy is moving forward with a grant application.

Carol is looking into a GPS unit for KCC

There is a land-locked piece of property on Pow Wow Pond that would be an excellent viewing area and boat ramp. Evy is talking with the owner about KCC buying this piece .

Meeting adjourned at 8:45pm

Next meeting on April 4th - 7pm