

**Oct. 9, 2014**

**Kingston Conversation Commission Minutes**

**Called to order:** 7pm

**Attending:** Evy Nathan, Amanda Moulaison, Jeff Sluder, Andrea Kenter, Bruce Cliff, Marghi Bean

**Guests:** Walt Roy

**Minutes:** Accepted **Treasurer's Report:**

Our budget is stable at approximately \$7,000.

\*The money in our budget is still reflecting the amount allotted for the Pow Wow Milfoil treatment this past summer. Next year's money from Milfoil tx will not be added to our budget again until a warrant article is passed at the March 2015 town meeting. Allowing this money to be given directly Pow Wow Council is not possible. Because of General Funding the money used for milfoil and other Pow Wow projects HAS to be in the KCC budget.

\*Part of the Milfoil money is tax revenue, and part is a grant from the state. The Pow Wow Council applied directly to the state for the grant. They received the money, put it in the council's account and paid the contractors. It did not go through our budget, and therefore bypassed KCC.

\*Nothing has been done illegally, but there needs to be better communication between the PPC and the KCC regarding Milfoil money still in our budget.

**Correspondence:**

KCC received cards and condolence emails for the loss of long-time CC member Dave Ingalls in a plane crash in October.

Three of the KCC members were able to attend the Eagle Scout court of honor for Kyle Gelina.

NHACC yearly conference is on Nov. 1st. Evy will be giving a TED talk, and Amanda, Evy and Sarah Sallade of SRHS will be presenting about their work with the KCC.

Marghi, Evy and Amanda will be attending.

**Planning Board Plans for review:**

Camp Lincoln lot line adjustment: we have seen this before and do not feel there are environmental impacts.

Didies and Dodads antique shop: site review to allow for outdoor display. No comment

Handicap ramp is being installed for the Hair salon next to Hotz Chiropractic on Church St.: no comment

**New Business:**

The proposed hiker sign on Hunt Rd. for Valley Lane Town Forest must be brown, as opposed to previous ideas of making it orange to be seen better. Evy googled sign colors and found that there are fixed parameters.

Selectmen have asked us if we have any Capital Improvement projects to be considered. At this time we do not plan any.

LCIP yearly inspections are due. Most of the files were passed out.

Senior Day of Caring is Oct. 22<sup>nd</sup>: SRHS should contact US in future. Evy drove by and "happened to see" a sign. We always have projects.

\*ET's Landing needs a clean up of construction debris.

\*No wheeled vehicle and forest signs should be placed at Frye.

KCC needs two regular members to replace Dave Ingalls and Paul Blais, who has gone to alternate status

The Library Scarecrow contest is next week. Marghi, Evy & Scott Heron will make a large "Here Crow" as our entry, with informative tidbits about crows.

#### Old and On Going Business:

Action item: Ann Hannagan signs need to be put up ASAP! This property is our only wildlife refuge.

Misery Hill - Evy went out with Carol Croteau to inspect this property. A wetland area on the property had its "nose cut off" and the owners are restoring the damage voluntarily. DES has approved their plans.

Prescott Grist Mill on Little River Rd, Dam update: Current plans have lowered the dam height from 6' to 5'9" for approval without involving the dam bureau. This will be a 'run of the river' dam. The Dam Bureau will inspect the dam at completion.

Frye Forest knotweed has been sprayed by VMS. We are still awaiting a bill.

Jeff has completed the informational Ernie Hunt Tire Dump sign for Frye Forest. It will be installed soon. Discussion about how to get four wheelers involved with the trails and the care of the trails.

KCC FB page is active with 185 "likes"

Walt Roy showed us the work being done on bridges in the Tucker-French-Magnusson properties. This work is very exciting!

Meeting was adjourned at 8:20pm

**Next meeting is Nov. 6th**