Kingston Conservation Commission

Nov. 5, 2014

Called to order: 7 pm

Attending: Evy Nathan, Paul Blais, Amanda Moulaison, Jeff Sluder,

Marghi Bean,

Guest: Walt Roy

Secretary's Report: Minutes accepted without correction.

Treasurer's Report: Bill for spraying still outstanding from Vegetative Management services. We're over budget on supplies and dues. There is extra in the public education line. KCC received \$125 from the Sophomore Team at Sanborn Regional High School in memory of Dave Ingalls. We still have money earmarked for a memorial garden at Dave's Trailhead sign in the spring.

\$10 reimbursement for the Bean's supplies for the scarecrow contest. Jeff will update budget with new receipts included. Report accepted.

Correspondence:

Survey from the NHACC about services offered we thought we might use the services of a wetland scientist. A conversation followed about the survey, and it was agreed that we don't have need for most of the examples given. We might avail ourselves of field training sessions and wetlands evaluation.

Merrimac River Watershed Conservation Plan - workshop Nov. 19th - Presentation on accelerating conservation efforts. Most of Kingston's watershed is in the Merrimac watershed.

Rockingham Planning Commission. Nov. 12th Reception

Planning Board Plans for Review:

13 Half Moon permit has been issued

Berkshire Dominion-- Old Pond View Going to be Western Saloon. Plans were for an easement for access for access, parking, utilities & sewage; this seems to be a state issue as it's probably grandfathered in. There are wetland questions and septic questions. We assume DES and the planning board are aware of this.

New Business:

NHACC Annual Meeting went well. Evy's TED talk went very well and the workshop that Evy, Sarah and Amanda did was excellent. The conference was well organized and well run with interesting workshops

Sarah & Evy have decided that the next school project will focus on climate change and migration corridors, with a stress on the "field" environment.

Nov. 15th -- Boy Scout Clean up on Back Road.

Walt Roy and Ernie Landry checked out the trails in Valley Lane and found that one of the bridges needs repair. The Scouts will consider it for a future project.

Suggestion to give out leaflets about vernal pools to new neighbors (at Trendezza?) who have vernal pools on their property.

LCIP walks are almost done.

Rich St. Hilaire has been given the Hiker signs and the Ann Hannagan signs.

Ernie Hunt Tire Dump sign for the Frye Forest was placed by Jeff and Evy. Good job on research and design, Jeff!

Forestry Committee and Capitol Improvement Plans ideas will be carried forward to the next meeting.

Other:

SELT has built bridges in the Tucker-French property. Ernie, Walt, and Phil Auger have completed all but two of the planned bridges.

Adjourn at 8:15 pm

Next meeting - Dec. 4th