Kingston Conservation Commission Minutes for meeting May 5, 2016

Call to order: 7:00 pm Kingston Community Library

Attending:

CC: Evy Nathan, Ken Twombly, Bob Smith, Andrea Kenter guests: Walt Roy, Caroly Shumway, Joshua Chase, Paul Dearborn, and Fred Borman

Secretary's report:

*Thank you to Bob Smith for subbing for Marghi Bean *

Minutes: April minutes were approved:

*need to add discussion of Acorn Dr. logging issues

Treasurer's Report: Jeff not in attendance. Question re: percentage on mileage and meals line

 Powerpoint presentation given by Caroly Shumway of the Merrimack River Watershed Council with additional comments by Fred Borman, on the need to locate and conserve properties in the Merrimack River watershed. Need for more education re: watershed protection, stormwater run-off, point and non-point source protection, etc., was discussed. There was mention of an MRWC grant for money for buffer plants. They are willing to help landowners.

Trails, signs report:

- Plans to upgrade kiosk at VL, Mike Dostie may build an enclosed cover for kiosk and make the trails map smaller, incorporating the orange trail.
- Trail passport system: 5 signs to be made, posts to be built, paper passport to be created, permission from SELT to be obtained.
- Rich will place gate at Frye TF, plans to gate off the class 6 road have been discussed at town meetings, however that would have to go to warrant article.
- NHF&G found illegal deer baiting, stands and trail cams at Frye. There were 2 arrests, several vehicles confiscated.

Correspondence:

Rie Sluder sent a list of plants for the Rec garden.
Read Dennis Quintal's ECSI letter
Evy to send a report to the town regarding ECSI from CC

DES and PB

Solar Hills Estates lot line adjustment: more info needed

- Rte 111 subdivision update, will not waive topo requirement as requested, partly because of CC concerns!
- Intent to cut 3 ac. 61 Main Street
- 98 ac Cheney Road Robt. Griffin

Old and ongoing business:

- Earth day cleanup was very successful this year, Evy, granddaughter Skyla, Jeff Sluder and Bob Smith participated on behalf of CC. Thanks to all!
- Herbarium project with Bakie School ongoing
- Rte 107 Town Forest project ongoing
- Bakie trail...to walk with Rich SH
- Rec project, waiting for campers

Other:

• Bee talk at library 5/16/16

SELT:

• 50 Timberland employees / Mast Rd.

Next meeting: June 9