

Kingston Conservation Commission

Minutes

May 4, 2017

Meeting called to order: 7 pm

Attending: Evy Nathan, Jeff Sluder, Ken Twombly, Geoff Harris

Guests: Walt Roy and Emily Calhoun

Secretary's report:

- No updates from Minutes, minutes accepted.

Treasurer's report:

- There are a couple of bills from 1st of the month not reflected in budget
- Evy has receipts totaling ~\$5, will wait to submit until there are more purchases
 - Milfoil testing line not yet removed – Jeff

Communications:

- Granite State Tree Farm – Kids' craft ideas, Evy to keep
- UNH Cooperative Extension – money request, KCC not able to contribute at this time
- Rockingham County Conservation District – Survey request, filled out as group, Evy to submit
- NHACC: Discussed Sunday afternoon and/ or weekday evening possibilities for workshop dates; Evy to follow- up

Sign/Trails/Forests Report:

- Aquatic Resources Mitigation grant: funding to re- establish trail in floodplain forest; Evy to share resources with Emily; ****Emily's Action Item**
- Trail redesign, muddy section, Frye: In progress
- Re-mark and clear orange trail VL: Evy thinks she has lead on volunteers; ****Evy's Action Item**
- Remove large dead tree from Frye, white trail: Jeff spoke with fire department; Jeff is waiting to hear from Rich; fire department has "chainsaw training"; project currently in limbo until we hear from Rich

Planning Board, DES:

- Upshot on AAAL meeting: Evy in attendance; spoke to large intrusion into the buffer; P.B. to wait on possible revised plans; well done Evy!
- Ball Road development, Russman: CC looked at topo. Map of development; ***Note: concern of runoff into brook**; all CC members encouraged to drive by and look at the area

New and Ongoing business:

- HS project: Rain date 5/16 (Jeff unavailable on rain date); potential volunteers: Emily, Jeff, Geoff, Ken; Walt unavailable; Evy to meet with teachers next Tuesday, will provide details; Evy to send vernal pool resources

- Kingston Days booth combo with CC/FOKOS/KLA: Discussion postponed to next meeting
- "Take a Hike" report: Many successful Sunday hikes; meet at library on Sundays at 1 pm: Geoff to possibly lead hikes if Evy unavailable; Emily interested in helping/ attending as well
- 1 additional CC member needed

Old business:

- ET's Landing, sign and permissions: Postponed to next meeting

Bucket List: All items remain on bucket list

Rockrimmon/Acorn: next town forest

Frye timber cut next winter

Dorre timber cut: possible 2018 project

Great Trees of Kingston

Wetlands restoration project: Frye

SELT and FOKOS update: Walt Roy

- SELT to host Timberland volunteers; building 3 bridges, 2 new trails, and closing a couple of trails
- Walt recommends Timberland as great volunteer group
- KCC to keep Timberland in mind for smaller projects

Adjourned, 8:21 pm

Next meeting: June 8, library