

## BROOKFIELD CONSERVATION MEETING

Minutes of January 3, 2018 Meeting

Present: Dick Peckham, John Nelson, Frank Frazier, Jean Jones, and Peter Baker - Alternate.

1. Meeting called to order at 6:00 P.M.
2. No Public Comments
3. Minutes of December 6, 2017 meeting notes were reviewed. John Nelson made a motion to approve. Frank Frazier seconded. Motion passed.
4. Mail:
  - A. Received bank statement from Meredith Village Savings.  
  
Interest \$ .13  
Balance \$5421.61
  - B. Received NHACC Bulletin advising of Legislation pending to protect beavers.
  - C. Received fact sheet from DES Environmental concerning outside wood furnaces. As Dick Peckham discussed normally the problem is that chimneys are not high enough, causing smoke to impact neighbors.
  - D. MMRG Runaround with Snowshoe Race and Kids Event will be held Saturday, January 20, 2018 from 9:00 A.M. to 11:00 A.M. at Abenaki Ski Area in Wolfeboro.

Old Business:

- A. The following are open items being carried over by to CC until spring:
  1. F & G Small Grants program for Town Preserve.
  2. Town Preserve kiosk and parking lot.
  3. Town Preserve Bird Houses.
- B. All members of the CC have now been sworn in.
- C. Marilou MacLean and Craig Evans are working on the history of the Town Preserve.
- D. Town Coffees are to be ongoing at this time.

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E. Forest Management Proposals have been reviewed. Dick spoke to Wendy Scribner about her knowledge of the two companies that have responded to the request for bids on the Town Preserve. Wendy advised that both are good. She gave a few suggestions to ask the bidders and both came back with good responses. The CC will discuss at the next meeting whether to fund the Forest Management and decide which company to use.

6. New Business:

A. Frank Frazier shared an email concerning a NH Fish & Game Convert Project seeking volunteers for a NH Wildlife & Forests workshop to become Stewards. They are accepting applications for the workshop to be held May 2<sup>nd</sup> thru May 5<sup>th</sup> at Barbara C. Harris Conference Center in Greenfield. The registration cost is \$50.00 and the deadline is March 1, 2018. Lodging, food, and other expenses will be funded by sponsors in exchange for training. Participants must commit to volunteer for at least 40 hours during coming year and motivate others to become Stewards of Wildlife and Forests Resources.

B. Dick Peckham is working on the annual report and it will be reviewed by the CC at the February meeting.

7. No Selectmen's Report.

8. Next Meeting: February 7, 2018.

9. Meeting closed at 6:40 P.M.

Respectfully submitted by Jean Jones