

Fracestown Conservation Commission

Proposed Minutes

July 14, 2014

Members present: Don Crooker, Betsy Hardwick, Scot Heath, Don Shuffleton

Alternates present: Polly Freese, Kelly Marshall

Meeting came to order at 7:40

Minutes: June 2 minutes were accepted as presented

Notices: Invitations were sent from the FLT to CC members for the celebration of the 37 Acres Miller Family Memorial Forest on July 20 @ 3:00.

New Business

Wetland Application; Scoby Rd. Bridge Waiver request-Motion was made, seconded and passed to support the Selectboard's request for the waiver

Invasive Series:

- a. Betsy is working on a September date to hold an Invasive Plant workshop with Doug Cygan.
- b. A motion was made, seconded and passed to order 100 copies of the Invasive Plant guide from the Peterborough Conservation Committee for .50 copy. The money will come out of the Operating Budget. They will be put in the library, town hall and store.
- c. BJ is planning to send an E-blast with invasive plant information and photos and ways to eliminate the plant

Conservation Plan Printing Expense:

- a. Betsy paid the \$900 plus through the operating budget. Motion was made, seconded and passed for Betsy to request a transfer not to exceed \$1,000 from the Conservation Fund to the operating budget to cover the printing cost.
- b. Betsy will request that the Planning Board to reimburse the Conservation Commission for half the cost of the printing if they accept the Plan as part of the Master Plan as they have half of the books.

Old Business

Pedestrian bridge; status, funding for supplies:

- a. Kelly will follow up with neighbor about the new contact for poles
- b. Betsy will inquire about metal beams from Cohen
- c. Quotes for the decking and handrail for both composite and pressure treated will be gathered
- d. Motion was made, seconded and passed to spend up to \$2,500 for bridge construction costs for the bridge on the Link Trail.

Herman Miller property: The FLT has requested that CC members help with setup for the celebration. Betsy will help and Don Crooker and Scot Heath if available

Other Business:

Joan Hanchette Nature Series: Kelly will represent the CC in a group with FLT and the library to bring 2 programs to the public this year and has had some initial discussion with them about this.

Current Land for Sale: Scot will make contact with FLT and property owner of the Terry property adjacent to the Francestown Town Forest to determine interest in working to conserve that property. CC members present were in agreement with the exception of Polly.

Adjourned at approximately 8:45

Respectfully submitted,

Kelly B. Marshall