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Morristown Conservation Commission

November 19, 2015

Attendees: Dave Stephens, Dick Sargent, Jim Pease, Ron Stancliff, Brent Teillon

Guests: Bill Westermann, Ed Loewenton

Meeting opened at 6:30 pm

The October 15 meeting minutes were approved.

Member Reports

Brent - a cable is up at the Bryant Pond Rd Town Forest entrance.

Jim - an Agency of Natural Resources Enforcement Officer is looking into the construction erosion permit issue on the Chauvin property on Rte. 15 west.

Ron - went to the Town Forest Conference in Randolph. The most important current issue is forest fragmentation.

Old Business

Town Forest - Doug has installed a skidder bridge over a brook just below the Town Forest boundary. We need to install a "Gate Ahead" sign for the Bryant Pond Rd entrance. The temporary gate is an orange coated chain. Dan Lindley has awarded the gate contract. Brent will call Dave Wilcox about the "Gate Ahead" sign.

Wesolow Property - A final letter was sent and there has been no reply. Mr. Wesolow filled in about 1.5 acres of wetland for his road. He had to stabilize it with seed and mulch and needs to figure out a final solution by this spring according to the Agency of Natural Resources. He is running out of time to set up a petition for getting the land purchase on the Town Meeting Agenda.

Chestnut Trees - Ron has distributed about 90 Chestnut seeds in the Town Forest. 25 were planted and the remainder scattered. Plantings were along the rock walls.

New Business

Annual Report - Ron will prepare a draft annual report and mail it out.

New Members - Bill is interested in joining the MCC.

Bears - Dick would like the MCC to sponsor a lecturer on bear behavior. He is willing to set up and advertise the presentation.

Clark Park - Ed Loewnton has a lot of questions on Clark Park, he has given several folks a tour of the park land and he has been in touch with the Agency of Natural Resources about the licensing issue.

Vermotivate - Ron handed out a letter from Ginny Sassama requesting a meeting with MCC to discuss the energy game Vermotivate.

Meeting adjourned at 7:37 pm

Respectively submitted,

Jim Pease, Secretary