

Morristown Conservation Commission

June 20, 2013

Attendees: Joanne Blaney, Dick Sargent, Steve Rae, Ron Stancliff, Brent Teillon, Jim Pease

Meeting opened at 6:29pm

- (A) May 2013 meeting minutes approved with amendment to reference that the MCC bylaws section "requiring" the MCC to conduct a natural resources inventory states that the MCC "may" conduct such inventory
- (B) Members Reports, Steve R. provided handouts and Planning Commission 6/18 meeting minutes; Jim described a possible project with LCPC to evaluate available infill properties in the sewer service area that currently have lands reserved for secondary septic but that could be freed up if sewer lines were installed; Brent reported on the Town Forest cutting and that things looked good, slash was down, the roads were okay, the cellar hole was protected. There will be site visit on 6/22. The Norway Spruce plantation is almost done; The logger will be working on the Sullivan lot this summer. A discussion ensued and the plan is to use the logging revenues to hire a forester to complete the TF plan this year. We will need to contact Ray Toolan and get the data. We should contact Ray's boss to do this. Brent will draft a letter to Steve Sinclair Ray's boss. Brent also has photos of GreenUp at the Oxbow Park. Ron discussed the Johnson "Journeys End" river conservation project fund raiser. Ron also went to the Planning Commission 6/18 meeting. Ron would like to go to the SelectBoard for direction on what the term "conserved land" should mean in terms of counting which parcels are conserved and which parcels have some protection like deer yards but are not conserved. He believes the definition the MCC uses only should include the LePine Farm, Joes Pond 60 acres for a total of about 1066 acres. Properties like state and town forest or lands under current use could see a change in land use and are not permanently protected.
- (C) Old Business: Clark Park: Ron went to the Recreation Committee meeting but only one person attended. We need to organize a clean up of Clark Park and to put in signs such as the moose track trail signs. We should develop a plan to integrate trails in the Clark Park with the Lamoille Valley Rail Trail.
- (D) New Business: Ron will go to the SB to get a "conserved lands" definition soon. We should invite the Recreation Committee to the July meeting and to work with them to walk and mark the trails in the park.

Meeting adjourned at 7:45pm

Respectively submitted, Jim Pease