6/15/17

Morristown Conservation Commission

Attendance: Ron Stancliff, Dave Stevens, Brent Teillon, Kristen Connelly and Coral Clayton. Absent: Jim Pease and Richard Sargent.

Meeting opened at 6:30.

Brent Teillon moved to approve minutes of May 18 with word corrected from see to seed and seconded by Dave Stevens. All present approved the minutes with correction.

**Member Report.**
Brent read response from Fran Slaydak about Doug Small's progress logging the Morristown Forest. The weather has had some impact but there is some progress. There is an attempt to meet the contract dead line of July 15. Also, there will be apple tree release some time in August. Green Up Day results were discussed and the question was asked of all present if were to head up next year's event. Brent said he thinks the MCC should do it and that he did not mind coordinating it. Next year, Joyce Majors would not be offering services and that the Town will have to take on more responsibility for payment on tires, trash roll offs etc.

Dave Stevens reported that he had modified the box that contains the maps so that rain water will not get to them. He was referring to the setup at Bryan Pond Road Forest access.

Kristen Connelly reported that she has talked to Laura Branca of the Johnson Conservation Commission about having a future meeting together to discuss trails. Now that Tuesday night live in Johnson is starting up, it may be fall before we realize a joint meeting. Kristin did get an article in the News Paper about Green Up results.

Ron reported that he set up an information site out of his truck at the Oxbow last night to inform interested parties about the Forest benefits. Trish Follert announced it over the loud speaker and Ron also announced it during intermission. Only four maps were handed out and three people inquired. Next time we will try to set up on site and not on edge of parking lot. Kristen is going to look into providing a small canopy to be used for the set up. Ron also said that as of yet he has not talked to anyone at VAST, but he would continue.

**Old Business.** Everything pretty much discussed in member report.

**New Business.** Items in agenda mentioned above. Ron announced that there will be a change in the agenda format. There will now be a treasurer's report line and minutes of last meeting will now be secretary's report. Officer's positions will also be opened for election.

Brent expressed that he would like to communicate with Water and Light Dept. about Morrisville water. We encourage him to do so and Ron said he would provide some technical questions

MCC adjourned at 7:30

Respectively submitted, Ron Stancliff chair and Secretary Protem.

**Old Business:**

Brent Teillon discussed a project that he and Dave Stevens have been working on at The Morristown Forest. On a map, of the area, are lines drawn representing possible location for additional trails. One of the trails would be a short cut from the Beaver Meadow parking lot to the southwesterly corner of the Forest. They have made note to Forest and Parks for permission to establish the trail as it crossed a couple hundred feet of State owned land. This should be an exciting endeavor. Ron mentioned the possibility of using Hardy Avery for improvements on the class four highways. Brent reminded Ron that the Logger has some responsibility when logging is completed.

Ron reported that he had been up to the Forest to check on number of sprouts from chestnut seed planted last fall. Four out of twenty Five.

Meeting adjourned at 8:00. Report submitted by Ron Stancliff