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Morristown Conservation Commission

April 16, 2015

Meeting opened at 6:33 pm

Attendance: Dick Sargent, Ron Stancliff, Brent Teillon, Dave Stevens, Jim Pease

Members Report

Brent investigated the 3 accounts MCC has for logging and lands: (1) general ledger for logging fees has a balance of \$7083, (2) land trust account has \$11,650, and (3) Appropriation from town for land conservation has \$57,698. He was unsure what account #2 was for. The gate expense for the Town Forest access will come out of account #1.

The Town Forest white pine plantation logging job is done for now. It looks good with no erosion. There is still some thinning going on of the hardwoods on the north side. Fran is marking trees. The current contract runs to 7/1/15. This the second contract and was renewed by Dan. We will need to renew the contract but we should review it first. Logging of other plantations is the next order of business.

Brent has a plan for the duck boxes.

Brent is also working on Lamoille River dam portage routes. A motion was made and approved that Brent would be the point person for the MCC on this issue.

February 2015 meeting minutes were approved.

New Business

(1) Green up assignments are as follows:

- Steve arrange for dumpster in Copley parking lot, open 8-3
- MCC volunteers will focus on Clark Park
- Jim will get maps printed, mounted and to TC office
- Brent will get banner to W&L
- Ron will get bags and posters to TC office
- Ron will email JB about using previous GU article with this years dates, details
- Ron will contact WLVB
- Jim will make a sandwich board with two posters for Portland St parking entrance
- Ron will ask Steve to make sure town does Monday roadside bag pickup
- Brent will find out from Joyce what types of trash can go in the dumpster and what cannot (tires)
- I think we were not going to do the volunteer donations of refreshments but if so Brent was going to do that.

- (2) Questionnaire - 55 submittals, Steve is not here to report on the findings
- (3) Tree Ordinance - the PC is considering adopting a revised tree ordinance. Todd sent a copy to Jim. Jim felt we should not encourage planting of Ash and that planting trees other than ornamentals under power lines should be included in the ordinance. We have until June to comment to Todd.

Old Business

- (1) Town Forest - Dave will look into what the State pays for gate materials. A spec for the gate is available. Dan wants the road crew to install the gate which will save the Town/MCC money. There will need to be a public notice to convert the Bryant Pond upper road to a trail.

Meeting adjourned at 7:50 pm

Respectively submitted,

Jim Pease, Secretary