

Morristown Conservation Commission

March 15, 2012

Dick Sargent, Steve Rae, Ron Stancliff, Jim Pease

Meeting opened at 6:35pm

February meeting minutes were approved

Chair Report – Steve shared news on land conservation at Bear Swamp in Wolcott. The LCPC has received a watershed grant to conduct town road training on water quality best management practices. Jim sent to the SB the commissioner appointment requests for Dick and Steve.

Town Forest Signage – the Signarama grant was too expensive to follow up on. Steve proposed to going to the LUHS Tech Center and see if they would make the signs. Ron will follow up on this. Jim sent Ron the sign specifications approved by the Dept of Forest and Parks.

Spring Walk of Town Forest – scheduled for mid-April with Ron leading.

Town Forest – Ron spoke with Diana Fredericks and she gave Ron the OK to repaint the TF Johnson-Morristown blazes which is also the MMSF property line. Steve drafted a letter about this request. The State will provide the paint. Steve will also contact the Town of Johnson on this issue. Logging update - Dan was told by the SB to get Ray Toolan to mark the plantation trees for a fall 2012 cutting. Jim spoke with Dave Y with the same concerns as Steve about letting the MCC handle the decisions on cutting. Dave indicated he would bring it up at the next SB meeting but he did not. Steve spoke with Ray and Ray thinks he can get the management plan done by the end of the summer. Steve told him the MCC wanted input on the draft plan and that we may want to provide input before the draft is done. Dave Stephens thought that Doug Small's work under the guidance of the Butternut Mt Forester was good.

New Business - Sheila Tymon would like to involve her class in Town Forest activities. The members agreed she would be a great asset. Clark Park walk is scheduled for March 17th at 10am.

Green – Up Day: Steve will distribute posters to commission members.
Brent will do refreshments and the tent at the drop off. Dick will help. Jim will do the banner and the street maps.
Old Business - none

Meeting adjourned 7:34pm
Respectively submitted,
Jim Pease, Secretary