

Randolph Conservation Commission Meeting of March 12, 2009

Meeting was attended by Dan Koloski, Warren Davoll, Gus Howe Johnson and Dave Crosby. Called to order at 6:02 pm.

The last meeting was held January 2009 and did not have a quorum; there are no minutes from that meeting.

Treasurer's Report

The \$5000 from 2008 Town Meeting vote was not deposited into the Randolph Conservation Commission (RCC) account during 2008. John Clough said it was due to be deposited 3/09 but the bank records don't reflect it yet. Balance as of February 2009 is \$21,983.86. Interest per month has dropped from \$20/month to \$337 per month. DK moved to accept the treasurer's report, GHJ seconded, report accepted as read.

Tree Inventory Update

Although Bruce Cameron told us in January 2008 that the tree inventory report would be ready by June 2008, it has not been submitted. DK will have Kate Forrer check the status of the grant.

Farmland Proposal from Upper Valley Land Trust

A request was received for \$2500 to support the purchase of development rights for a property in East Randolph. However, the request it was not submitted via the appropriate application. We're unsure as to whether the funds are still needed for this request as their deadline has passed. We will continue to follow our policy to consider only requests that are submitted with proper application.

Invasive Workshop Invoice

We discussed the request from the White River Conservation District to be reimbursed for \$250 for developing and delivering the first of two invasive management education workshops. WD moved a motion to reimburse WRCD, DK seconded, motion passed. The second workshop is planned for this summer.

RCC Membership

We discussed concern over declining RCC membership. Dave Crosby from the Randolph Forestry Committee said he sees no harm in combining the committees as suggested by the selectboard, which could improve communication regarding common areas of interest. General feedback regarding the idea was positive. Some questions remain: How would the state rules and regulations the RCC is bound to be impacted by a merger?

Fiddlehead Festival

We discussed an application submitted by the Fiddlehead Festival for \$500 to support the festival scheduled for May 2, 2009. DK moved to support the request, WD seconded, motion passed.

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Forestry Committee

The forestry committee plans to make identification/education signs for town forest parcels and would like to use wood from town land to make them. WD moved that the RCC approve the forestry committee plan to remove ½ dozen trees to build four signs for town land. DK seconded, motion passed.

Meeting adjourned at 7:10 pm .

Next meeting is scheduled for the second Thursday in April.

Respectfully submitted,

Gus Howe Johnson