

## **Randolph Conservation Commission**

**Meeting Minutes** Tuesday Oct 13, 2009 Location: Markle Conference Room, Gifford Hospital

The meeting was called to order at 6:05 pm. Dan Koloski, Warren Davoll, Gus Howe Johnson, Dave Crosby, Annette Higby, and Sid McLam were present.

### **Minutes**

Minutes were accepted as read, DK moved, DC seconded, motion passed 5-0-0.

### **Treasurer's Report**

The October 2009 Conservation Commission balance sheet showed an end balance of \$23,788.43 in the Randolph Conservation Fund. There appears to be an unknown expense of \$240.83, and the balance sheet does not appear to reflect any added interest.

### **Ellis Property review**

DK reported that the property has been mowed recently.

### **Town Plan review by RCC**

A. Higby has reviewed the Natural Resources section of the town plan and reports that it is mostly similar to the last town plan. Copies of the plan are available through A. Higby. She suggested these additions:

- on pg. 12, RCC should add data on the economic impact of forestry and agriculture on the Randolph economy.
- on pg. 33, RCC should update the agricultural survey and supply current info to the National Agricultural Census.
- on pg 34, RCC recommends that the Chamber of Commerce explore sponsoring a local 'Farm-to-School' program, to improve the freshness and quality of local school lunches.

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- The committee voted to forward AH's comments to the town. DK moved, DC seconded, approved 6-0-0.

### **White River Natural Resources Conservation District**

- DK reports that the WRNRCD was recently paid for its local workshops. (Information only, no action required)

### **Forest Parcel Signage**

- DC will get specs on the signs that RTCC has made, add these specs to the sign permit applications, and get these applications to the Town for approval.

### **Town Forest harvest request**

- Town Manager Gary Champy has okayed RTCC's harvesting plan for materials for a timber frame structure to be raffled off. G. Reymore should also get input / approval from D. Paganelli.

- **Other Business**

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DK is interested in general history of town forests in Vermont. He recently got a flyer from the Northern Forest Alliance.

DC and Sid McLam will arrange to place the remaining picnic table in the Rabbit Tract. Hope to coordinate logistics with Lynn McNamara. DK would like to be kept informed on arrangements for this.

The Committee recently heard from Jen Guarino, who says that she will attend meetings as possible.

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Next meeting scheduled for Tuesday, Nov 10, 2009, at Markle Conference Room, Gifford Hospital.

Meeting adjourned at 7:06 pm.