

West Windsor Conservation Commission

Ted Siegler (Chair), Mark Nowlan, Sue Greenall, Kathy Wood
Barb Gerstner, Laura Stillson, Chris Nesbitt, Cathy Boedtke, Rudy Gross

May 6, 2019

Ted Siegler, Sue Greenall, Barbara Gerstner, Rudy Gross, Laura Stillson, Kathy Wood, Chris Nesbitt, Cathy Boedtke
Guests: Kevin Kaija, Tom Kenyon, Sean Ogle UVTA, Natalie Starr

Call to order 7:05 p.m. by Ted Siegler

Motion: Chris Nesbitt moved to approve April 1, 2019 minutes.

Seconded: Laura Stillson

Vote: unanimous

Old Business

Bi-Centennial Trail –Upper Valley Trail Alliance UVTA is willing to walk the trail and map it as well as a consultation on suggested route and construction. Suggestion to form a sub-committee to walk the trail w/Sean. WWCC would need to join UVTA for \$100.

Motion: Chris Nesbitt moved to join the UVTA

Seconded: Cathy Boedtke

Vote: unanimous

Motion: Barbara Gerstner moved to authorize Ted to enter into an agreement with UVTA to redesign the trail, cost not to exceed \$500.

Seconded: Chris Nesbitt. Discussion followed on cost. Motion was amended for the cost not to exceed \$750

Vote: unanimous

STAB trail maintenance – STAB will once again use the town to flow through funds to pay for trail work. Funds come to WWCC and the town writes the checks.

Mill Brook – LaRosa will do N and Cl samples. Endyne will give us a reduced rate \$18 for E.Coli. Ted would like to include turbidity, Sue to find out cost. Discussion on sites and how to proceed. Testing will start in June. Kevin to look into purchasing thermometers.

Motion: Ted moved to authorize the purchase of 6 thermometers at a reasonable cost.

Seconded: Kathy Wood second.

Vote: unanimous

New Business

MT Ascutney Interpretive trail – Natalie explained the need for a ¼ to ½ miles interpretive trail on town property. Laura was involved in a grant to create this. A walk is scheduled for May 11.

Trail Signs – Chris continued discussion his concept of creating a marked trail network for multi-use. Concerns over bikes and horses on trail were expressed. Existing trail signs were passed out. Suggestion that the WWCC and WWPC meet to further discuss

WWCC Priorities –Identify easement initiatives for high priority land

- Trail easements
- Bicentennial Trail relocation and maintenance
- Riparian buffers for streams
- Flood Hazard zoning

Next meeting – suggestion for joint meeting with WW Planning Commission.

Adjourned – 8:35

Respectfully submitted - Sue Greenall