

West Windsor Conservation Commission

Ted Siegler (Chair), Win Johnson, Mark Nowlan,
Barb Gerstner, Chris Nesbit, Laura Stillson

November 5, 2012

Call to order 7:15 PM, Story Hall, West Windsor

In attendance: Ted Siegler, Laura Stillson, Barbara Gerstner, Chris Nesbit.

Approval of October 1, 2012 minutes

Motion by Chris Nesbit to approve minutes

Seconded: Win Johnson

Vote: Unanimous

Phase 1 geomorphic assessment – Ted reported that we were not awarded the grant to help pay for this. The town has offered to pay for phase 1. Discussion followed.

Invasives – OCISMA sent an e-mail to the office regarding black swallow wort. Ted suggested that the WWCC have handouts for residents regarding invasive plants at town meeting in March. Sue to obtain information on Japanese knotweed, bedstraw, poison parsnip & others.

Town Map – The Grassroots SEED grant draft map was reviewed and suggestions made.

1. Lighten the map
2. Add bike photo (Laura) and make the horse photo smaller, lighten lettering
3. Add burn permit to services – Mike Spakman 484-9142
4. Add mountain bike trail head kiosks on map. add to legend
5. Make Mt. Ascutney trails clearer

Trails Update – the Bicentennial Trail still to be walked. For upcoming grants we need history of the trail, detail of proposal, how funded and if it will combine with the state forest. Possible grant due Feb 25. Sue to look into other grants. Laura took information on VT Youth Corps.

Budget -

Motion by Ted to approve \$5,000 for geomorphic assessment phase 1, \$2,000 for operating fund, \$5,000 to conservation fund = \$12,000

Seconded: Chris Nesbit

Vote: Unanimous

Motion by Ted to send a letter to Lori Smith acknowledging Bob's contributions to the WWCC.

To be sent with a card.

Seconded: Barb Gerstner

Vote: Unanimous

Laura reported that Cathy Boedkner is interested in rejoining the WWCC

WWCC Priorities

- Identify easement initiatives for high priority land
- Working with the Town Forest Committee/Bicentennial trail
- Vernal pool inventory
- Trail easements
- Geomorphic assessment of major tributaries to Mill Brook

Motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:35pm by Ted Siegler. Next meeting December 3, 2012

Respectfully submitted - Sue Greenall - secretary

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