

**Town of Bethel, Vermont**  
**Conservation Commission**  
Minutes

Tuesday, October 13th, 2015, 6:30 PM

Present: Tom Warhol, Moe Brigham, Jen Schomp, Mary Floyd, Emily Miller

1. Housekeeping
  - a. Minutes accepted as revised.
  - b. Project spreadsheet.
    - a. Tom made a few updates on river corridor items.
2. Branliere Forest Trail update
  - a. Emily gave an update of the map making process and will look into getting a more professional version ready.
  - b. No further work on the VYCC application at this point.
3. EAB
  - a. Emily gave a quick overview of the EAB community meeting.
  - b. Mary will contact Jay Lackey about steps towards inventorying and a preparedness plan.
  - c. South Royalton tree warden expressed an interest in exploring the issue together with Bethel.
  - d. CC would like to identify Bethel's tree warden; Moe is willing to serve if there's no one currently.
4. Forward Fest
  - a. Quick review of the CC's presence at FF. Good discussions. Interesting discussion about getting the word out about trails on private lands that are more or less open to public use.
5. AVCC annual meeting at VTC on 11/7/15
  - a. Mary and Jen will attend.
6. Buyout meeting
  - a. Mary and Tom will attend the next meeting about buyouts at the request of Keith Arlund.
7. Water quality
  - a. Looked over Bethel's 2014 annual report
8. Al Gore's recent talk
  - a. Jen gave a brief summary of Al Gore's recent talk in Burlington and his emphasis on solar.

Adjourned 7:35pm. Next meeting will be on Tuesday, November 10<sup>th</sup> at 6:30pm.