

Town of Bethel, Vermont  
Conservation Commission Meeting Minutes

Tuesday, 4/16/19, 6:45 PM  
Town Office

Meeting brought to order at 6:30pm

Present: Mary Floyd, Emily Miller, Ferron Griffin, Mark Heckmann, Jennifer Schomp

1. Minutes: Minutes from 3/12/19 were reviewed and accepted as written.
2. Update for the VYCC grant
  - a. The CC did not receive the Recreational Trails Program grant this year.
  - b. We had allocated \$2500 towards the grant and discussed the possibility of using this money elsewhere.
  - c. Mark will send a letter to the editor to remind people about how the river accessed that floodplain on Sunday/Monday's flood event. This provided the river with the room to move is the right thing to do. We'd like to remind people that we're still looking for funds.
3. EAB workshop June 1st with AJ Follensbee, 9am-12pm.
  - a. Refreshments were discussed.
  - b. Will publicize in the *Herald*, Front Porch Forum, Facebook.
  - c. Mary will invite the Royalton Conservation Commission.
4. Green up Day, May 4th
  - a. Jennifer will look into who might be in charge of organizing Green Up day.
5. Fundraising for the 428 Pleasant Street property
  - a. The town is responsible for \$10,000. We currently have \$5,000 in donations.
  - b. We would like to request that the FY2019 funds allocated for the VYCC grant be rolled over into our newly established Capital Fund so that it can be applied to the land purchase OR if we can put the money into the existing fund for the 428 Pleasant Street property.
  - c. We discussed the possibility of using FY2020 funds towards that purchase as well.
6. Requests from the Rec. Committee
  - a. The Rec Committee is interested in getting a kiosk for the Rec field and asked about using the kiosk from Spring Hollow since it's not being used

now at that spot. We had plans for the spot and were waiting until the bridge construction is complete. Greg is looking into whether a kiosk from a buyout property can be moved.

- b. There's a proposal for a fall meeting that might serve as an opportunity for all committees to get together and compare notes on grant applications.

7. Any other business.

Meeting adjourned at approximately 8pm. Next meeting will be Tuesday, 5/21/19 at 6:30pm at the town offices.