

Town of Bethel, Vermont
Conservation Commission Meeting Minutes

Wednesday, 6/9/20 6:00 PM
Peavine Park Gazebo

Meeting brought to order at 6:05pm

Present: Mary Floyd, Emily Miller, Ferron Griffin, Danny Dover, Lisa Campbell

1. Minutes: Minutes from 2/12/20 were reviewed and approved.
2. Town Forest Update
 - a. Camp Brook Forest
 - i. Right of way is not clear, but remains in the name of Dickson. One of the first things we'd like to do is a survey.
 - ii. Danny Dover's update after talking with R. Lunna about a survey
 1. the western lines are not clear or absent and that's what we would need surveyed.
 2. An estimate of \$6000 to do those lines and locate the right of way.
 - iii. Mary will contact a Bethel resident who had previously expressed interest in doing plant surveys and put them in touch with AJ if they're interested in helping out there
 - iv. Camp Brook Forest plan from Chris Fors (postponed for future date)
 - b. Quimby Forest
 - i. Great accessibility and a location of a view according to AJ's report. (Access from Olmstead, Rindge and Woodland Rds)
 - ii. The CC could like to organize a hike of some of the Quimby trails.
 - iii. Mary will learn about a possible VAST trail that runs through and whether that trail is also used by ATVs.
3. 428 Pleasant St. update
 - a. There is still a hangup with the northern boundary of the property. The Vermont River Conservancy continues to work with a landowner to determine the agreed upon boundary
 - b. Planting through the White River Partnership is on pause.
4. Any other business
 - a. Facebook page. We had a brief discussion about whether we should plan priorities and make more of an effort to engage using the Facebook page. Lisa is running it now and will add Emily and Ferron administrators.
 - b. Lisa will work on writing an article for the Herald about the town forests.
 - c. Lisa requested permission to move some plants from the buyout property on Spring Hollow to Peavine Park. Noting that we need to be aware of invasive plants, we didn't see a problem with moving these particular plants.

Meeting adjourned at approximately 7:15pm. Next meeting will be Tuesday, 7/14/20 at 6:00pm at Peavine Park.