

Town of Bethel, Vermont
Conservation Commission Meeting Minutes

Tuesday, 6/21/22 6:30 PM
Town Offices

Meeting brought to order at 6:30pm

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

1. Minutes: Minutes from 5/10/22 were reviewed and accepted.
2. Peavine Park update
 - a. Water is on at Peavine.
 - b. Water quality testing at Peavine is underway. Lisa acts as steward of the spot.
 - c. The town would like to remove the old boat launch at Peavine. The CC is comfortable with that if it doesn't destabilize the bank. Maybe it could be covered in some way instead.
 - d. There is a kiosk at the boat launch in Peavine, could we remove or relocate the kiosk closer to the parking lot?
 - e. Noting the vandalism that park has endured, we wondered about having a camera installed.
3. VOREC update
 - a. Signage
 - i. They are currently in the process of pulling together information for the signs.
 - ii. The CC is interested in helping to sort out signage at kiosks.
 - iii. We like the idea of incorporating the design of the fish on the wall. Can we use that idea or image? Do we need the artist's permission?
 - iv. Content: town map, local map (like the green links maps), trail etiquette (stay on the trail, pick up after yourself), non native invasive plant info.
4. Tiny Grant Update
 - a. We reviewed the grant that Mary applied for and received to support the town's bird camp.
5. Planning Commission Update
 - a. Brief discussion about the planning commission's review of the working draft of Bethel's Unified Bylaws.
6. Locust Creek Wetland Forest update
 - a. Mary (and Mark) attended a VT F&W informational session about what they had done on this property to restore floodplain access and attenuate flood waters.
7. Any other business

Meeting adjourned at approximately 7:50pm. Next meeting will be Tuesday, 7/12/22, 6:30pm at Peavine Park (Town office in case of inclement weather).