

Town of Bethel, Vermont
Conservation Commission Meeting Minutes

Tuesday, 9/12/23, 6:30 PM
Town Offices

Meeting brought to order at 6:30pm.

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

1. Minutes: Minutes from the August meeting were approved.
2. Pollinator Patch
 - a. Need to stake it, so the school can take a look and approve.
 - b. Mark and Ferron will take a look this week.
3. VOREC and Staircase update
 - a. Construction of stairs from athletic fields is almost done. Plan is to have it finished for Forward Fest.
 - b. Gravel path from the crosswalk to the stairs is in and it's great.
4. Public Flower Garden
 - a. Folks have shared some concerns about the gardens being left somewhat untended.
 - b. Discussion about how to encourage people to take care of the gardens. There's no logical group to take over the work and unfortunately we have no clear ideas.
5. Any other business
 - a. Forward Fest
 - i. The CC was recently approached about leading a walk at Carla's Meadow on Friday evening. Not much notice, but we could probably lead a hike on the early side. Ferron will respond with our willingness to do that.
 - ii. The CC will not have a table this year. Lisa will have the seeds and minimal info at the library table.
 - b. Bridge at the bottom of Camp Brook (near the confluence with the Third Branch).
 - i. Dubois and King is surveying it and the gravel removal is now out to bid.
 - ii. White River Partnership is aware and will support the project.

Meeting adjourned at approximately 7:30pm. Next meeting will be Tuesday, 10/10/23, 6:30pm at the Town office.