

## Bethel Conservation Commission Minutes – 6/10/14

**Present** Mary Floyd, Moe Brigham, Dave Stanley, Jennifer Schomp, Emily Miller

**Action on Minutes** approved minutes from May meeting as written.

### Business

- A few details from Mary's recon into the Town Forests
  - Quimby Lot (Woodland Rd.)
    - 1934 conveyed to town in payment of taxes, etc.
    - logged some back in the 1950s-1970s
  - Branliere
    - made up of the Hartwell pasture and Hunton pasture ("the ledges")
    - Robert Gaiko is interested in possibly helping if we pursue something with the property
- Mary will request the \$50 funds to cover fees for VT Association of Conservation Commission membership from Selectboard.
- Discussion about holding a meeting to talk about public access to recreational areas:
  - what: discussion about buyouts, recreational access to river and use of other public properties, we'll plan to have refreshments
  - when: Thursday, August 7<sup>th</sup>, 6-8pm (pending availability of town hall)
  - who:
    - general public
    - direct invitations: Parks and Public Spaces, Selectboard, Bethel Business Association, BRI, Bigger or Better Ideas, former landowners of buyout properties
    - publicize via Herald, Town of Bethel website, FPF
  - planning: Mary Russ (White River Partnership) will come talk with us on 7/15 to help figure out questions to ask, how to structure/facilitate the meeting.
  - Buyouts and recreational use of other public

Meeting adjourned at 7:50pm.

**Next meeting will be June 15th, at 6:30pm** (note change in date to third Tuesday)