

BROOKFIELD CONSERVATION MEETING

Minutes of May 2, 2018 meeting

Present: Bob Nielsen, Frank Frazier, Peter Baker, Jean Jones, and Richard Zacher,
Selectmen's Representative

1. Meeting called to order at 6:01 P.M.
2. No Public Comments.
3. Minutes of April 4, 2018 were reviewed. Frank Frazier made a motion to approve meeting notes. Bob Nielsen seconded. Motion passed.
4. Mail:
 - A. Received bank statement from Meredith Village Savings.
Interest \$.13
Balance \$5422.15
 - B. Received email from New Hampshire Association of Conservation Commissions concerning Municipal Board of Empowerment Series Workshop #7 coming up later this year. Website: nhacc.org
 - C. Received email from Society for the Protection of NH Forest concerning Northern Pass Unplugged, Spring Hikes, etc. Subscription required.
Website: forestsocietynews@forestsociety.org
5. Old Business:
 - A. Town cleanup was held April 28th after the Selectmen's Breakfast. It was a good turn out with 16 people signing up for the cleanup. The CC thanks the Selectmen for the great breakfast and everyone who helped with the town cleanup.
 - B. Members discussed the Town Preserve birdhouse project. Jenn McKown has volunteered to go with Bob Nielsen to purchase supplies and advise where and how to place the birdhouses. Frank Frazier will provide the post hole digger and help with the installation. The birdhouses will be placed in the town cemetery.
6. New Business:
 - A. Bob discussed several possible goals for the CC this year.

Examples:
 - I. Establish a Friends of Conservation Group with contact information who will be called upon to volunteer occasionally.

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- II. Visit another town's CC meeting and report back to our CC.
- III. Attend the Annual Meeting for NHACC and report back to our CC.
Bob and Peter have volunteered to attend.
- IV. Do community survey on issues that will enhance the direction of the CC.
- V. Educate the community on a CC issue.
- VI. Establish trails on Town Preserve.
Frank has volunteered to work on this issue.
- VII. Frank advised that Marilou MacLean is still researching the Town Preserve History.
- VIII. The CC discussed possibly hosting town meetings with speakers on items of possible interest to everyone.

Examples:

Jenn McKown - birds in the area.

Wendy Scribner - landowners do's and don't.

MMRG - conservation easements, etc.

NH Fish and Game –animals in our area.

- B. MMRG annual dues discussed. Frank Frazier made a motion to approve the \$100 fee. Jean Jones seconded motion. Motion passed.

7. Speaker.

- A. Patti Connaughton-Burns from MMRG was present to discuss and review The MMRG Conservation Action Plan and review maps she gave to the CC. It was suggested that a town meeting be held so Patti could present these items and presents more information on MMRG, conservation easements, etc.

8. Selectman's Report:

- A. Rich Zacher advised that Forest Land Improvements has agreed to do the Forest management plan and discussed a possible \$1500 grant from NH Fish & Game so that he can work with their biologist. The selectmen are reviewing Grant Request for restrictions.

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9. Next Meeting: Wednesday June 6. 2018.

10. Meeting closed at 7:07 P.M.

Respectfully submitted by Jean Jones