BROOKFIELD CONSERVATION MEETING

Minutes of June 6, 2018 meeting

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

1. Meeting called to order at 6:07 P.M.

2. No Public Comments.

3. Minutes of May 2, 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 $5,422.28

5. Old Business:

   A. The Cemetery Trustees decided to decline the birdhouses at this time.
      Bob Nielsen and Jenn McKown placed 3 bird houses on the perimeter of the hay field on the Town Preserve on June 2, 2018.

   B. Bob has spoken to Jenn about doing a bird walk on the new Town Preserve and Jenn has agreed. They also discussed Jenn doing a presentation to interested people about the birds in our area. Jenn will consider Bob’s request.

   C. Frank Frazier has volunteered to talk to Wendy Scribner about doing a presentation with Forest Land Improvements Inc., who will be doing the forest management plan. This presentation would be held for interested people in the community.

   D. George Yeager had recommended Patrick Hanley becoming a CC member. Patrick attended the meeting and is quite interested in becoming a CC member.

   E. The State has denied the application from Peter Cooperdock for a driveway to be located at the Pace residence Map 18 Lot 41 at 30 Curries Way. They have requested a response from Mr. Cooperdock, addressing 3 issues that need to be clarified prior to approval. Mr. Cooperdock has 60 days to address the issues. The CC should receive more information once Mr. Cooperdock reapplies.

   F. The annual membership fee of $100.00 to MMRG will be paid and CC members agreed to share their personal email information with MMRG.
6. New Business:
   
   A. Patti Connaughton-Burns, MMRG Executive Director, spoke at the meeting regarding MMRG work with Stephen Snow to conserve 320 acres of his property on Tumbledown Dick Road. MMRG is doing a purchase of development on the property for a conservation easement. Patti provided maps showing the importance of conserving this land. She advised that MMRG will be doing fundraisers for this project. She requested an endorsement letter from the CC and one from the Selectmen which is important for grants such as LCHIP (NH Land and Community Heritage Investment Program) and Moose Plates. Frank Frazier made a motion to approve an endorsement letter be sent. Bob Nielsen seconded. Motion approved.
   
   B. Bob advised that Jenn McKown wondered if it would be feasible to have a walking trail from the town cemetery to the field on the Town Preserve. It would make a nice loop trail with the existing Old Governor’s Road. CC members thought that this was a good idea and will look into it when trails are being marked.

7. Selectmen’s Report:

   Rich Zacher advised that Forest Land Improvements Inc. who will be doing The Forest Management Plan for the Town Preserve is waiting to see if the town can get funding from Fish and Game in the amount of $1500.00. This would help with the cost of the Plan and Fish and Game would then also help with the Plan.

8. Next Meeting: August 1, 2018
   There will not be a meeting in July as the date falls on the 4th.


Respectfully submitted by Jean Jones