



Approved 9-21-15

Minutes 8-27-2015
(Meeting in Fire Station)

Present: Ken Minck, Suzanna Brown, Nancy Volatile-Wood, and Bill Ellis, Kent Henderson. Guest-Bob Heiser-Vermont Land Trust
Missing: Rob Meader

7:04 Call to order by Kent Henderson

New business; Bob Heiser explained the Moseley brothers are ready to proceed with the conservation of their parcel in Georgia located on the CL4 section of Silver Lake Rd. (at the dead end) The 2011 appraisal will need to be up-dated reflecting current market values. This cost will be borne by the Moseley's. Pending Commission endorsement, he will draw up a contract with an option to buy, the option will be held by VLT and be transferable to the Town of Georgia. Regarding parking; it was thought ample parking would be available on the CL4 roadway with minor site work.

Motion by Ken Minck: GCC will pursue with VLT & VHCB the purchase and conservation of the Mosley parcel w/seller paying the up-dated appraisal costs. Fred 2nd. Unanimous approval.

Minutes: For 6-15-2015 meeting, Suz moved to adopt and Nancy 2nd. Unanimous approval.

Select board chair Chris Letourneau and vice chair Matt Crawford joined the meeting with the town administrator, Mike McCarthy. (This was not a warned agenda item) Discussion regarding the Russell Greene Natural Area new parking lot ensued. Ken Minck asked when the engineering bid was awarded to Ruggiano Associates, the SB members and the TA could not provide an award date but the TA assured the commission and select board members that the award had been made and would be completed shortly "in September or October" and would include the "engineering sketch" for planning commission approval, Act 250 permitting and VTrans road cut approval.

At Matt Crawford's request, GCC chair Kent Henderson agreed to proceed immediately on construction upon receipt of the engineering plan.

Financial Report: General fund \$20,440.28 and CRF \$171,713.74 Line item balance \$1347.01

Select Board Minutes: None

On-going business:

By-laws: Tabled until a November special meeting can be arranged.

Joint program with library: Slated for 10-5-2015 at 6:30 pm. Ken to get display board to Suz 100th anniversary of town forest and VPT Deer Brook trail videos will be featured.

CRF direction: The information gathered regarding other towns in Vermont was varied – no two towns used the same procedure. Come budget time close attention will be required to the topic.

Fall Fest: Sept. 12th-Fred has been unable to contact the group with the birds of prey, so GCC decided to not pursue other options for this year.

Natures Edge: This program has been tabled for this season.

New business: none

Other:

9:07 Adjourn

*2015 Budget: Line items: Fees and Education \$500, Trail Maintenance and RGNA forest management plan \$1500
Conservation Reserve Fund 12,000
Funded by monies in the GCC general account: Scholarship \$500, ROW \$1000, FNLC \$600, Green-up VT \$200 RGNA Parking lot \$12,000
AVCC Mini Grant: \$600*