



Approved 8-27-2015

Minutes 06-15-2015

Present: Ken Minck, Suzanna Brown, Nancy Volatile-Wood, Rob Meader, Bill Ellis, Kent Henderson.

Missing: Fred Grimm

7:04 Call to order by Kent Henderson

Minutes: 5-18-2015 Nancy moved and Suz 2nd with 1 change, unanimous.

Financial Report: General fund \$20,439.87 and CRF \$171,710.76 Line item balance \$1414.51 Suz moved and Rob 2nd unanimous. Nancy will request from Amber the scholarship check for presentation at the July meeting. Nancy discovered in discussion with Amber that VYCC had not been paid in full for the work performed in 2014. A check was recently cut for \$13,204.40 for an invoice dated Sept. 29, 2014. Every one at the table was surprised by this disclosure.

Select Board Minutes:

Confidential / Executive Session Items: a). Confidential Attorney Client Communications. Motion to go into Executive Session at 7:40 p.m., with Kent Henderson, is requested at this time to discuss confidential attorney-client communications made for the purpose of providing professional legal services to the Town of Georgia involving the Town, specifically finding that premature general public knowledge of the subject matter would clearly place the Town at a substantial disadvantage, made by Matt, second by Tara. No further discussion. All in favor.

Motion to come out of Executive Session made at 8:10 p.m. by Paul, second by Matt. No further discussion. All in favor.

No action out of Executive Session.

Motion to adjourn at 8:11 p.m. made by Ric, second by Matt. No further discussion. All in favor.

Monday, June 22, 2015, next regular meeting. Respectfully Submitted by Krissy Jenkins

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Kent explained that in the capacity of GCC chair; he was asked to attend a select board executive session by Town Administrator Mike McCarthy; he could not disclose the topic of the meeting.

On-going business:

RGNA: Waiting for select board action – regarding the new parking lot engineering.

Henley Webster Forest Sign: 07-01-2015 was selected as the install date at 4pm, Suz to contact Howard Webster.

Lewis Creek: Suz explained a possible fix for Falls Road trail erosion (legal trail), consisting of stacked logs with a catch at the bottom, she showed pictures of the Lewis Creek work. Kent to pursue NRCS-CIG grant as a possible funding source.

100th year of Vermont Town Forests: Co-presentation with the Library staff date TBD. Ken to work on map showing the town parcels, Suz to work on town forest photos. The library also requested to use the Mill River area for a “story walk” on the week of July 20th; the commission did not see a problem with this activity

John Mosley: Information session set up for June 22nd at 9AM with the VT Land Trust, John and brother Chris. Ken to email members when meeting place has been selected. Ken will be able to attend.

Natures Edge program: August 4th at 6pm is the selected date, Ken to talk with Rod Vallee about the topic and send to the group for distribution etc.

July cookout: Kent and April will host on the 13th at 5pm.

Fall fest: Outreach for Earth Stewardship may be able to host a raptor event. Suz to give info to Fred Grimm.

*2015 Budget: Line items: Fees and Education \$500, Trail Maintenance and RGNA forest management plan \$1500
Conservation Reserve Fund \$14,000
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*

RGNA: Connecting trail layout scheduled for June 18th at 4pm.

CRF strategies: Ken has collected some preliminary information, some towns vote to appropriate funds every year, others vote every 5 years. Suz to inquire with the towns to the south, Ken to inquire with Franklin county towns.

By-laws: Tabled – Nancy suggested a stand alone meeting to address this issue.

New business:

Other:

9:07 Adjourn