



Minutes 02-17-2020

Approved 3-16-2020

Present: Ken Minck, Kent Henderson, Chris Bouchard, Suzanna Brown, Fred Grimm, Cristin Pullis, Rob Meader, and guest Caitlin Cusack forester – Vermont Land Trust

Caitlin Cusack: Caitlin is a forester with Vermont Land Trust, this past year an intern performed an inventory of invasive plants and ash along of the trails at Silver Lake Woods. No dead ashes were noted. Several blocks of invasives were mapped. There might be funding available for the treatment of invasives – Caitlin will keep us informed. An RFP will be required.

Minutes: January: Kent moved and Chris 2nd unanimous, Rob abstained not in attendance.

Financial Report: Not available

CRF

General Fund:

Line items:

Correspondence: E-mail from Amber Baker to Suz, the Commission's presence is requested for the select board meeting 3-23-2020 7pm.

Town Government Minutes:

On-going business:

Silver Lake Woods:

1. CL4 portion of Silver Lake Rd.

Site visit on 12/12/19 with ANR staff Chris Brunelle – written report received. The information received from the state allows culvert removal without a permit and the road can remain as CL4. (Emails from Chris B. & Todd E.)

2. Sign status: Rob to see if he can make the changes and submit to Fossil Graphics for manufacture. (the mounting posts have been purchased)

Town Meeting: Cristin will pick-up the display board from Ken, Kent will provide a trail map of RGNA.

2020 budget: Budget approved as submitted with the exception of the Conservation Reserve funding. \$20,000.00 was requested, \$5000.00 was budgeted. The Commission is disappointed with this decrease.

New Business:

1. River corridors at Deer Brook: The 200' buffer will stay in place, public meeting TBD
2. Tiny Grant: TBD, application not yet available

Other: Kent has decided to resign from the Commission – he has other water quality issues that he would like to pursue. He will return the keys to the town office. Regarding the annual scholarship, he will forward any applications to Ken for consideration by the Commission.

Next Meeting: 03-16-2020

Concerns for Select Board: 1. 3-23-2020 meeting