

Ferrisburgh Conservation Commission  
Meeting December 10, 2013  
Approved Copy

In attendance for the FCC: Craig Heindel, Chairman; John Medenwald;  
Dennis Arnell, Treasurer; and Karen Pettersen, Secretary

Craig opened the meeting at 7:45 p.m.

The November meeting notes were moved to accepted and seconded; all voted in favor

Old Business

A. Town Plan

1. Planning Commission met on 12/02/2013. Karen attended. Claire Tebbs, planner with the Addison County Regional Planning Commission, led the discussion. Items discussed included a review of the survey results, and assigning members to fact check specific items for the Town Plan. The survey results indicated that there was a lot of support for wildlife aspects. Their next meeting will be held on 12/18/2013.

B. Lewis Creek Association

1. Dennis will take the request of their annual appeal to the Town Clerk soon.

New Business

C. Commission business

1. The following members have accepted the following positions: Karen Pettersen - Secretary, Dennis Arnell - Treasurer, and Craig Heindel - Chairman. This information will be sent to Chet Hawkins, Town Clerk, and Loretta Lawrence, Selectboard Chair.
2. Betsey Sessions pointed out a mistake in the approved meeting notes from October to Karen. Karen will submit those notes to the Conservation Commission for review at their next meeting.
3. Craig will send information on posting the monthly meeting notes to the Town's web page to Karen.
4. Craig will post a notice on the Front Porch Forum that we are looking for new members.
5. John will not be able to attend our January meeting.

D. Pierce Woods

1. Karen will check out the recent construction activity.
2. Craig will contact Ken Wheeling about Karen's findings.

E. Winter project

1. FCC will display a map at the March Town Meeting for people to mark up their wildlife sightings.
2. Karen will contact Kevin Boehm at ACRPC for a pdf of a base map showing topography, streams, roads, and parcels. Karen will send the map to Craig for printing.
3. Dennis and John will meet with Town road crew before the Town Meeting to get the wildlife crossing information they have agreed to record.
4. We will mark up the base map with information we have on wildlife areas, and crossing we know about.

F. Town Plan

1. Karen will send survey results to Craig.
2. Karen will summarize wildlife issues in the survey for the January FCC meeting.
3. Karen will contact Claire regarding allowing the FCC to submit wording of the conservation issues in the Town Plan, similar to what the Energy Committee has or will be submitting to the PC for inclusion in the Town Plan.

G. Other meetings and organizations.

1. Dennis will attend the ANR 'Municipal Day' on Monday, 3/31/2014.
2. The VLCT will have a Municipal Officers Day that someone should attend, but not sure of the date yet.
3. Craig will contact Deb for her experience with the Association of Vermont Conservation Commissions, and whether we should rejoin that organization. Pam Cousino, Assistant Town Clerk, had told Dennis we could join automatically each year, and he will ask Pam for the membership fee after he hears from Craig.

No other business was discussed and the meeting adjourned at 8:30. The next scheduled meeting is January 14, 2014.

Respectfully submitted,  
Karen Pettersen