

Ferrisburgh Conservation Commission  
Meeting February 11, 2020  
Approved

Members present: Craig Heindel- Chair, Dennis Armell, Jen Cirillo, Jadziah Hannon Moonstone and Karen Pettersen

Guest: Krista Hoffsis

Craig opened the meeting at 7:05 p.m.

The January 14, 2019 meeting notes were moved to be accepted as presented.

A. FCC Brochure

1. Craig will mark up the brochure with his comments and email it to Jadziah. He suggested adding credits for the photographs, and would like more photographs in the brochure.

B. VT Master Naturalist Program

1. Jen reported that Amy is looking for some help with coordinating the next steps. Krista expressed an interest in helping Amy.
2. Jadziah suggested asking one of the 5 towns that participated in the Bristol program to partner with us.

C. Land Use Regulation Update Committee

1. Karen didn't present the wording of the Soil Erosion and Stormwater sections to review, and will have them ready for our next meeting.
2. Karen attended the Feb. 5<sup>th</sup> LURUC meeting. Katie Raycroft-Meyer, Landscape Architect and Senior Community Planner with the ACRPC, will be assisting the committee to visualize increased density development. She will be providing the LURUC with panels showing examples of this concept to be displayed at our Town Meeting.

D. Roadside Ash Inventory.

1. Joanne Garton of the VT Urban and Community Forestry said that Ferrisburgh's roadside ash can be seen on the VT Natural Resources Atlas. She sent Craig an updated spreadsheet listing all the trees with the latitude and longitude coordinates included.
2. Craig said the Selectboard develops the Town budget in the fall, and the goal is to have a draft management plan ready by that time. The 1<sup>st</sup> step should be to refine the maps, such as, developing a map for each size category of tree. The 2<sup>nd</sup> step would be to meet with John Bull at his office preferably around 7:30 am to get his input. Craig will check with John.
3. Karen suggested the FCC monitor the roadside ash trees this summer for any signs of the EAB.

E. Bears in Vermont Presentation – April 16<sup>th</sup>

1. Dennis reported that the VT Fish and Wildlife Department advertised this event at the Yankee Classic.
2. Jen will submit the rental agreement to the Town for the use of the upstairs meeting space.

F. Sue Morse Town Forest Walk

1. Sue suggested she could lead another walk in our Town Forest looking at areas we didn't explore during our walk in January.
2. Craig suggested maybe someone from the State could lead us on a walk in the Town Forest.

G. Future workshops

1. Jadziah suggested a talk on the fish spawning at the North Hollow/ Lewis Creek bridge crossing.
2. Dennis suggested a talk on the invasive white perch in Lake Champlain.
3. Craig said we should develop a list of ideas at our next meeting.

H. Husk cabin

1. No new business
2. Craig will remind Bonnie, Zoning Administrator, to contact us when Husk returns to the ZBA.

I. Tiny House

1. Craig will talk to Bonnie.

J. Bicknell

1. The project is moving slowly. The ZBA has adopted Craig's informal recommendations.

K. New Business

1. The attendance at the Bat talk was 54.
2. Town Meeting will be held on, Sat. Feb. 24 at 10:00 am.

No other business was discussed and the meeting adjourned. The next scheduled meeting will be March 10, 2020.

Respectfully submitted,  
Karen Pettersen, Secretary