

Ferrisburgh Conservation Commission  
Meeting September 13, 2016  
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In attendance for the FCC: Craig Heindel, Dennis Armell, Amy Dohner,  
John Medenwald, Finn Yarbrough , and  
Karen Pettersen, Secretary  
Guests: Matt Vogel

Craig opened the meeting at 7:00 p.m.

The June meeting notes were moved to be accepted as presented.

A. Town Plan

1. Matt addressed the committee regarding a request to change the riparian vegetative buffer in the Draft Town Plan from 50 feet to 100 feet in 4.1 Natural Resources Policies F.1 Streams, Headwaters and Shorelines and 4.3 Land Use Policies C.4. Conservation Planning Area.
2. Craig suggested that Matt check with the Selectboard and the Planning Commission regarding the status of the Town Plan process. Craig, also, suggested that Matt research additional documentation supporting the 100 foot riparian vegetative buffer request.

B. Laughlin

1. Craig reported that Carl Cole is comfortable with a walking path along the Laughlin/Shapiro property line that was walked during the FCC (Craig, Dennis and Karen) site visit with Carl a few months ago.
2. During that site visit Carl and the FCC discussed a temporary road r-o-w for vehicular access to retrieve logs in the future. Subsequently Carl reported to Craig that this r-o-w as proposed wouldn't work with the newer lot layout he was proposing. Carl wasn't in attendance to discuss another option for this r-o-w.
3. Craig said the FCC needs to address the use of a future, temporary log landing – its size and location to service any future logging within the town forest.

C. Claflin

1. At their July meeting, the Planning Commission approved a 25 foot wide no cut zone along the southern boundary line.

D. Vision Statement

1. Jen emailed a proposed vision statement to the FCC members, which we will review as the first item at the November meeting.

E. Pierce Woods

1. Craig checked with Ken Wheeling regarding this subdivision and an article in the Addison Independent that the owner will be moving ahead with this subdivision. Ken said he hadn't been contacted by the owner.

F. New business

1. Finn requested a letter of support for 6 of his students from the UVM Service Learning Course for an Impact Study of pollinator habitats on Town properties.
2. We voted and approved to provide a letter of support, which Craig will write. We discussed a possible evening presentation by the students to the FCC and/or Town explaining their results.

No other business was discussed and the meeting adjourned at 8:45pm. The next scheduled meeting is October 11<sup>th</sup>, 2016.

Respectfully submitted,  
Karen Pettersen, Secretary

