

TOWN OF BENNINGTON
Conservation Commission
Minutes of Meeting- April 16, 2015
Minutes Approved- May 21, 2015

Present: Valerie Germain, Jon Manley, Joe MacGregor

Guests: Doreen Robertson

Valerie Germain called the meeting to order at 6:39 p.m.

1. Minutes

- a. The minutes from the March 19, 2015 meetings were approved as written.

2. Old Business

- a. UNH Barry Conservation Camp
 - i. Valerie updated the Commissioners regarding the individual who will be attending the camp. Valerie has received an essay from the student to be forwarded to Rick Reed for the Edes Scholarship.
- b. After-School Science Club
 - i. The second session has ended. The club will be showcased at the Earth Day cleanup.
 - ii. The second-grade after-school session will run for four weeks.
 - iii. Jill Wilmoth has expressed interest in co-coordinating a summer science program.
- c. Earth Day clean-up
 - i. Joe and Steve will set up tent(s) on Friday April 17, 2015 for the clean-up.
 - ii. At the VFW posters and brochures will be on display regarding invasive species.
 - iii. The Commissioners discussed the "Cleanup comes with a prize" article that was in the Transcript-Ledger on Thursday April 16, 2015.

3. New Business

- a. New members
 - i. Joe proposed that the Commissioners approach people in order to get more individuals participating on the board.
- b. Railroad Trestle
 - i. Jon reported the DOT has closed the trestle.
- c. Annual Meeting
 - i. The NH Timber Owners Association Annual Meeting will be held in Bennington, NH on Saturday May 9, 2015 beginning at Hardwick's and will proceed to the Monadnock Paper Mill.
- d. Extreme Weather Presentation
 - i. Jon will be presenting a series of discussions on extreme weather at the VFW. The first presentation will be on hurricanes and tornadoes on April 21, 2015 at 7 p.m.

There being no other business at hand, the meeting merged into a work session at 7:00 p.m. to work on the Earth Day clean-up.

Respectfully Submitted by

Karen Bartlett
Conservation Commission Recording Secretary