

TOWN OF BRISTOL, VERMONT
CONSERVATION COMMISSION
FINAL MINUTES FOR REGULAR MEETING
HELD AT HOLLEY HALL, LOWER LEVEL
THURSDAY, 13 SEPTEMBER, 2018

- I. Call to order, 6:05 pm. Present: **KEN JOHNSON, KRISTEN UNDERWOOD, KATIE REILLY, RANDY DURAND, RICHARD BUTZ, CAROLYN DASH, JIM STAPLETON.** Guests:
- II. Public comment period - **NONE**
- III. Addition of items to the agenda - **NONE**
- IV. Approval of minutes of 9 August, 2018 – **RB moved, RD 2nd, Unanimous.**
- V. Correspondence: **Select Board Agenda, Administrator’s Report**
- VI. Old Business -
 - A. South Street Historical Interpretive Trail (joint project of BCC and Bristol Historical Society to create historic signage at the former Bristol Manufacturing site) **KU The sign has arrived and the permit for installation is in process. Installation will take place when the various tools and manpower can be assembled. KU will pursue this. CD conducted hiking trips over the summer which were well attended, including Select Board members.**
 - B. Green Stormwater Infrastructure (VT River Conservancy and the Lake Champlain Basin Program [LCBP] grant to implement a few Green Stormwater Infrastructure projects in the village). **No action.**
 - C. Bristol village Stormwater Master Plan (ACRPC/ Town of Bristol, funded by a separate grant from Ecosystem Restoration Program [ERP]). **KU The contract has been awarded to Watershed Consultants, an initial planning meeting will be held Monday, Sept 24 - BCC members are welcome to attend.**
 - D. Bristol Trail Network (trail activities coordinated by Porter Knight and the Bristol Rec Club) **CD The hardest parts of the trail are done, the easier are yet to be done.**
 - E. All Hazards Mitigation Plan: discussion of on-going meetings. **No Action**
 - F. Town of Bristol Resources: Disseminating information about the natural and cultural resources of Bristol. **CD There is no identifying sign at Sycamore Park visible from the road. RD We need to request a sign from the State. RB will look into this.**
 - G. River Corridor Protection: discussion of coordination with the Planning Commission regarding river corridor planning. **CD, JS Mark Gibson of the Planning Commission is interested in pursuing this.**
 - H. New Haven River Watershed: continued discussion regarding Addison County River Watch Collaborative information on water quality and the on-going sampling; possible meeting with New Haven Conservation Commission. **RB More action to come - the hold-up is funding for Matt Witten.**

I. Eagle Park: Repairs. **KU Dave Henderson has been working on the weeds. RB raised the question whether Round-Up is appropriate here. KJ said the cement work looks good.**

J. Conservation Commission membership. **KJ will put a notice of vacancy on FPF.**

K. Strategic Planning **RD expressed a concern that Monica Przyperhart's analysis did not meet his initial expectations as a useful tool for the Commission. RB & JS shared this view, questioning how we might move forward with this. It was agreed that we table the matter for now.**

L. Upper Notch trash problem **KJ will view the results, apparently the problem continues.**

M. Website **JS contacted Bruce Acciavatti who will try again next month to transfer the BCC website. An extended discussion ensued raising the question whether the limited website hosted by Bruce will serve our future needs, e.g. describing parks. RB will inquire whether the Energy Committee is interested in joining us in this effort.**

N. Conservation Reserve Fund **KU presented information to the New Haven CC**

O. Flood Adaptation Proposal **No action**

P. Paul Fuller parcel **No Action**

Q. Memorial Forest Park **KU, CD The Bristol VFW donated \$3000 to engage Timber & Frame in designing the new trail. KU will write an RFP for the structural analysis of the existing bridge.**

R. Mosquito Spraying **RB is collecting information on Weybridge's use of chemical spraying for use in a future educational program in Bristol.**

VII. New Business

VIII. Other

IX. Events **Sept 29, Poultney, Association of Vermont Conservation Commissions focusing on Vermont's waters.**

X. Next Meeting: **Thursday, Oct 11, 2018**

XI. Adjournment **KR moved, RJ 2nd, Unanimous**