

Conservation Commission Meeting Minutes 3/20/17

Members Present: Brad Salzmann, Hoyt Bingham, Joshua (Bushrod) Power, David Barker

Members Absent: Mike Bald, Alan Turner

Guests: VLS Environmental Studies group and Kerri Rogers

Meeting called to order @ 6:31 p.m.

Meeting Minutes of 2/13/17: Approved as submitted.

Resilience Vermont Summit handout was distributed. CROs (Community Resilience Organizations) and ARC (Academic Resilience Collaborative) organizations will be meeting on April 29 to present what the local action teams are doing around Vermont. They will be done in time to join the Climate rally at the statehouse in Montpelier.

Welcome and Introductions: Evangeline Williams, Brianna Tibett, and three others from the Vermont Law School Environmental Studies group were present to share their Earth Day, 4/22/17, community event. They are planning an in-town trash collection and mural painting community event. The Commission members and Kerri gave feedback on their plan. They will reconfigure and present to the Selectboard next week, and will be in touch with the final outcome. The Commission is supportive of their efforts.

The VLS group invited Commission members to join them and the Sierra Club, Vermont, on Wed. 3/22/17 from 5-6 p.m. at Worthy Burger. They will be talking about and planning a Vermont contingent to the Climate March event on 4/29/17 taking place in Washington, DC.

Green-Up Day, 5/6/17: Kerri Rogers attended to let the Commission know what her plans are to date and to see how the Commission can be a partner. The event begins at 8 a.m. and ends at noon on the Green. Green-Up day trash bags can be picked up on the Green that morning or in various locations prior to the event. The Red Door church will be asked to again provide goodies in the morning. Village Pizza will be providing pizza around noon to culminate the event. Discussion will be had with the town Highway Dept. about the trash collection plans. Attempts will be made to include school groups, scouts, and the Lions Club

Brad mentioned that he received a notice from Rose Hemond, Select Board Assistant, reporting that the Select Board has appointed the Conservation Commission to be in charge of Green up Day this year. Further discussion needs to be had.

Due to the Select Board meeting at 7:30 p.m. in our meeting space, the following items have been tabled for next meeting: Bylaws, Crawford Property, Sarnoff Property, and FEMA Buyout properties.

Next meeting: April 17, 2017 at 6:30 p.m. at the Town Office meeting room.

Adjourn 7:30

Respectfully Submitted,
Hoyt Bingham