



CONSERVATION COMMISSION

Meeting Type:..... **Regular Meeting**
Date:..... **February 23, 2021**
Time:..... **6:30 p.m.**
Place:..... **Via Teleconference**
Address:..... **N/A**
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Website:..... **www.miltonvt.gov**

MEETING MINUTES

Dan Gaherty, Chair
Juli Tyson, Member

Judith Kinner, Vice-Chair
William Pikul, Member

Laurie DiCesare, Clerk
Tom Prendergast, Member

Bonnie Pease, Member

1. Call to Order:

The meeting was called to order by Dan Gaherty at 6:39 p.m.

2. Attendance:

Members Present: Dan Gaherty, Laurie DiCesare, Judy Kinner, Bonnie Pease, William Pikul, Juli Tyson, Tom Prendergast.

Members absent: None.

Staff Present: Kris Dulmer (Tree Warden /MCC Liaison); Jenna Tucker (Milton Recreation Director).

Public Present: Remy Crettol (Lamoille Riverwalk Inventory).

3. Agenda Review:

No additions to the Agenda.

4. Business:

a. Lamoille Rive Walk (LRW): Natural Resources Inventory:

1. Review Proposal for work submitted by Remy Crettol: Remy said the Natural Resources Inventory data would be used to make Recreational recommendations. An updated recommendation he sent to us today included a tiered Project Budget with varying possible site visits and varying amounts of fieldwork, that could be adjusted to suit our needs.

2. Scope: Dan said we do not have enough money to do all of the work suggested in Tier 3. We want to omit the Ritchie Ave. section and focus on the Checkerberry area. Bonnie said the Greenleaf Forestry loggers gave us an overview of the soils and anticipate re-logging the area in 10 years. Jenna asked what the Recreation report would include. Remy mentioned trail mapping; possible impacts of various users; erosion issues around streams and possible remediation (like bridges). Jenna suggested having the Recreation Dept. partner with the MCC on this project and possibly help with funding. Remy said areas to be inventoried are estimates. Bonnie said she believes we can find most of the boundary pins. Dan asked about possibly speeding up the time frame. Remy said he will only be available for fieldwork on weekends but could adjust the timing. Tier 2 would not include specific natural resource community inventories but would use the general information available on State of VT maps.

3. Budget: Dan said we have a balance of \$1,294. from last year's \$1,500. Budget which will be available until June 30. The remainder (\$922.) from the Rise grant may be used on the project. Jenna said that, if