



CONSERVATION COMMISSION

Meeting Type:..... **Regular Meeting** (4th Tuesday of each month)
Date:..... **Tuesday, April 26, 2016**
Time:..... **6:30 p.m.**
Place:..... **Municipal Building Community Room**
Address:..... **43 Bombardier Road Milton, VT 05468**
Contact:..... **(802) 893-1186**
Website:..... **www.miltonvt.org**

MEETING MINUTES

1 **1. CALL TO ORDER**

2 The Chair called the meeting to order at 6:35 p.m.
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4 **2. ATTENDANCE**

5 **Members Present:** Judy Kinner, Chair; Laurie DiCesare; Bonnie Pease.

6 **Members Absent:** Dan Gaherty, Vice-Chair

7 **Staff Present:** Jeffrey Castle, Town Planner

8 **Public Present:** None.
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10 **3. AGENDA REVIEW**

11 Pease requested the opportunity to share her takeaways from the Invasive Forest Pests First
12 Detectors Training that she attended earlier in the month.
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14 **4. PUBLIC FORUM**

15 None.
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17 **5. OLD BUSINESS**

18 None.
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20 **6. NEW BUSINESS**

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22 **6(A). Green Up Day**

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24 The Commission discussed preparations for Green Up Day. The remaining responsibilities were
25 discussed, including the acquiring of donated and purchased supplies. The logistics of acquiring a
26 grill and other needed supplies were discussed.
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28 **6(B). Spring and Summer Outings**

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30 The following spring and summer outings were discussed:

- 31 • The Selectboard was invited to a hike in the Town Forest on June 18th. Friends and family
32 were also encouraged to attend.
- 33 • Kinner discussed a possible Conservation Commission lead hike on Georgia Mountain. This
34 is private property and would require the permission of the land owner. Kinner and Castle
35 discussed reaching out to the land owner. It was determined that October 1 may be a good
36 day to try and host this event.

- 1 • The Commission agreed that a walk or event with the Westford Conservation Commission
- 2 would be desirable in order to connect with our neighboring community.
- 3 • A hike on the Eagle Mountain side trails will be planned for Saturday August 20.

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5 Pease shared that she will be out of town in September and July. Kinner also will be out of town in
6 July. It was agreed that the July meeting of the Commission should be canceled and the August
7 meeting should be rescheduled for August 9th.

9 **6(C). Eagle Mountain Recreational Trails Program Mini-Grant Update**

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11 Castle shared that Dan Gaherty has been approved to purchase the supplies for the RTP Mini-Grant
12 implementation. A work day had been planned for May 9th, but it may need to be rescheduled to
13 allow for Dan to make the purchases and prep the materials. The Commission agreed to contact
14 Dan and likely move the work day to later in the week.

16 **6(D). Town Forest Major Recreational Trails Program Update**

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18 Castle stated that he will move forward with the scheduling of the wetland delineation. The draft
19 RFP for the trail work will be prepared to allow for release of the RFP upon the completion of the
20 wetland delineation. The amount of wetland permitting cost should be able to be closely estimated
21 at that time.

23 **6(E). Next Meeting: Joint Meeting with Recreation Commission**

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25 The next meeting will be a joint meeting with the Recreation Commission on May 24th. The
26 Commission discussed the plan for the meeting. As discussed at the Fall joint meeting, a walk
27 through the Bombardier Recreation Park is planned. This will provide an opportunity for
28 discussion of park management. The Commissions will also have an opportunity to share about
29 progress and upcoming projects and goals.

31 **6(F). Invasive Forest Pest First Detectors**

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33 Pease shared her experience at a recent Invasive Forest Pest First Detectors workshop. The event
34 was informative and well run. Pease gathered materials to put on display at the upcoming Green
35 Up Day event.

37 **7(A). Staff Update**

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39 Castle shared that he is preparing to print the maps and brochures pending final minor revision of
40 the trails.

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42 There is an upcoming Community Social hosted by the Lamoille River Paddlers' Trail scheduled for
43 Wednesday, May 4th. The Commission is invited to attend. They will be sharing about completed
44 projects and setting priorities for the next year ahead.

1 **8. MINUTES of March 22, 2016, March 31, 2016**

2 Pease MOVED to approve the Minutes of March 22 with a correction to page 2, line 17 (19th
3 corrected to 18th), SECOND by DiCesare. APPROVED (3-0). DiCesare MOVED to approve the
4 Minutes of March 31, SECOND by Pease. APPROVED (3-0).

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6 **9. ADJOURNMENT**

7 DiCesare motioned for the meeting adjournment at 8:29 p.m., SECOND by Pease, APPROVED
8 unanimously (3-0).

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10 **Minutes approved by the Commission this _____ day of _____, 2016.**

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14 **Judith Kinner, Chair**

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16 **Draft filed with the Town Clerk this _____ day of _____, 2016.**

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18 **Filed with the Town Clerk this _____ day of _____, 2016.**

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