

**Fitzwilliam Conservation Commission**  
**19 June 2017– Minutes**

**Present:** Paul Kotila, Chair; Kevin Woolley, alternate; Hiel Lindquist, Barbara Green, Dorothy Zug,

**Absent::** Cheryl Norskey, Rick Brackett

**Guests:** None

**Review Minutes of 15 May 2017:**

Approved as presented.

**Agenda Review:**

The special May 30 meeting on the KMTF trails was discussed. A MOTION to accept the minutes as submitted was APPROVED unanimously. Lindquist will send a copy to Sable for standard formatting.

Also, Zug will report on the Tolton property.

**Metzger TF Stewardship Plan & Trails RFP:**

The final plan is done. We have 2 copies but can print as many as we want. Kotila has had the date revised and made other needed changes. He also asked for a Word copy, which he has not received yet. Kotila will ask Debbie's advice about how to proceed. We could go to Savron Graphics for a bound copy in color. There should be one for each member, one each for Katie Metzger, Selectmen, the library, etc.—A dozen copies in all. Kotila will call the printer. There was a MOTION to approve paying the \$5,000 bill from Bay State Forestry for the Plan now. The motion PASSED by a majority, four in favor, one opposed. Zug had objected to making the payment until we receive the Word version. Kotila signed the invoice and Sable will drop it off to selectmen.

**RFP** — there was a discussion regarding the scope of services requested.

Zug also suggested that Turner Rd., being class VI, could be voted at Town Meeting to be designated a hiking road. This is a special category.

Kotila also added a request to design a wheelchair accessible trail.

Green asked how users can connect the two Town Forests without going through private property. Members noted they can use the connecting roads.

Lindquist will include a one-month time limit for response to the RFP. Responses should be directed c/o the Cons Com , PO box 725, no later than July 31st. Sable will send the RFP to the list of contacts via email and regular mail. Woolley will send all addresses to her, including Trailwrights, and Frank Bequaert.

**Dog Waste Cleanup Bags:**

Lindquist has to replace the bags but still has plenty. The station is being used a lot. We might suggest that Selectmen get one for the town common.

**Chamberlain Property—Update:**

Nothing new. We must talk about the parking at some point.

**Solar Array Proposal:**

Nothing new.

**Monadnock Advisory Committee Update:**

Nothing new.

**Site Walk Reports:** Scott Pond: Young project, Campbell property.

Selectmen have written asking for our input about the Campbell property. We need to schedule a meeting with them to discuss the options and several other things. Kotila will make a note on the letter, which Sable will submit to selectmen to schedule a meeting.

**Budget Reports:**

Payroll YTD: \$330.63

Expenses: None

**Update on Wenniger Property:**

No news.

**Planning Board:**

No news.

**Other Business:**

The Tolton property is up for sale with Blais, for \$229,900. Zug will go see it on Wednesday afternoon. It consists of 14 acres with the house and 14 more across the road. The land is adjacent to the town forest. The wetlands piece may be valued around the low 40's. Zug will explore all the possibilities.

**Correspondence:**

2 copies of the KMTF Stewardship Plan; Monadnock Conservancy Newsletter; revised DOT request re environmental impacts of highway project; Memo from Debbie re Campbell property offer to Town.

**Adjournment:**

Meeting adjourned at 8:15 p.m. Next meeting will be 17 July, 2017, beginning at 7:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,  
Jeanne Sable, Secretary