

Draft minutes

Town of Burke
Burke Conservation Commission
212 School Street
West Burke, VT 05871

August 15, 2018, 6:00 P.M.
Burke Town Clerk's Office

Present: Hank Butler, Ellse Lawson, Sue Leskin, Chris Manges, Kevin Mack, Joan Harlowe

Absent: Cathie Wheeler, Ross Stevens, Val Desmarais.

Minutes of July meeting were approved.

Municipal forest: Chris has 75+/- markers. Hank will check with the Selectboard re posting them. Other than posting this on the Burke website, no additional signage is recommended.

Pete's Pond: Elise sent a map of the 20.9 acre property to Fish and Wildlife, and Jane Lazorchak, of the land acquisition dept, appreciated getting the map and will bring it up at their next meeting. If, through a grant or other funding, town could buy the property, the Conservation Commission would monitor it annually. Besides F&W, other possible organizations include the Nature Conservancy (Sue will contact Jon Binhammer), Hank will contact VLT, Chris will contact Tracy Tschao and Kingdom Trails, and Joan will contact Damon Cawley of PVL. Hank will contact the owner.

Trees planted need water. Hank will ask the Select board to ensure that they are well watered twice this fall..

Trout Unlimited grant — We asked for \$6000 to plant trees along 1200 feet river bank. We will hear about Sept 15,

Mapping station — Elise suggested that if there were a mapping station, with a computer, at the town office, it would enable us to work the Planning Board and the DRB By downloading detailed maps showing landforms, wetland, etc. Elise used this in NH and will find out cost.

Next meeting: September 19

Respectfully submitted,
Joan Harlowe