

Norwich Conservation Commission Approved Minutes of 18 September 2012

Present: David Hubbard, Dan Goulet, Steve Gaughan, Martha Graber, Frank Olmstead, Norm Miller, Craig Layne

Absent: Peter Silberfarb, Bill Pierce

Public Present: Christine Richards and Sophie Richards

Commencement 7:05 pm

Welcomed Norman Miller to the commission.

S. Gaughan announced that the Town has requested the CC's annual statement for the Town Report. It is due by 10/26/12.

D. Hubbard updated the CC on the work of the Trails Committee and the work done on trails by the Vermont Youth Conservation Corps. He said additional work will be done on the Gile Mt. trail next year because of its heavy use. The Trails Committee will probably seek funding for the VYCC to do some of this work. He also said that Steven Flanders of the Selectboard plans to attend the next meeting of the Trails Committee.

S. Gaughan suggested that the Trails Committee move towards a uniform system of signage on all Town trails.

S. Gaughan also stated that B. Pierce needs to submit soon the CC's proposed budget for fiscal year ending 2014.

The Moore Lane bridge is reported to be dripping something. Neil and Andy will be sent an e-mail about it.

The illegal digging of a pond in a Mitchell Brook tributary was reported to the commission. D. Hubbard will speak with the state about it.

N. Miller inquired about rights and liabilities of landowners with public paths on their properties. He was referred to an informative article in Northern Woodlands magazine.

N. Miller suggested the commission think about the walking bridge project at Huntley Meadow and support the renaming of any replacement bridge as the American Legion Bridge. N. Miller also suggested that perhaps an eagle scout might like to lead a project to replace the bridge.

D. Goulet moved (S. Gaughan seconded) approval of the August minutes. Approved unanimously.

Adjournment 8:15 pm

Minutes submitted by Craig Layne, secretary