

Fayston Natural Resources Committee

September 8, 2016

Minutes

Present: Lisa Koitzsch, Carol Chamberlin, Ky Koitzsch, Geri Procaccini, Gene Fialkoff, Ned Kelley

ACTION ITEMS BEFORE NEXT MEETING

Lisa: Talk to Patti about insurance on barn, get a copy of town rental policy
Ky: Follow up with Mac Rood and Laura Brines on bridge construction
ALL: Try to attend Ridge to Rivers meeting – First Thursday of every month 5-7 pm

1. Minutes and Meeting Schedule

Need to approve minutes from August meeting at our October meeting.

The next meeting will be held on Tuesday, October 12th at the Town Offices.

2. Chase Brook Bridge

Ky has been coordinating with Mac Rood about obtaining materials for the bridge. He also met with a crane operator and determined that the site will be accessible for a crane to install the steel beams. Laura Brines and Mac are meeting with the Development Review Board and will also be coordinating with the DEC to see if the bridge requires a permit for river alteration. FNRC will provide funds for the initial concrete work on the footings for the bridge.

NOTE: Since the date of this meeting, Laura Brines received word that the MRPA has received a \$6,500 grant to build the bridge. Along with matching funds, we now have \$13,000 to put towards this project. FNRC has also received notification that the Small and Inspiring Grant applied for was awarded in the amount of \$2225.

3. Coordination with PC

Carol spoke to the group regarding the Planning Commission's interest in working with the FNRC, possibly with some focus on community outreach regarding the prevention of forest fragmentation. PC members had learned of the Welcome Buckets delivered to some local residents by FNRC members.

NOTE: Since the date of this meeting, a joint meeting with the PC/FNRC has been set for Wednesday, October 12 at 7 pm at the Robert Vasseur Town Hall.

4. McCullough Barn

Because of a request to use the barn for a private function, FNRC will begin developing a policy for barn rental. Several concerns were raised regarding insurance, nighttime functions, alcohol, and for-profit organizations. Once we develop a draft policy, FNRC will meet with the Select Board for their input.