

**Minutes of
The Fayston Natural Resources Committee
May 10, 2010**

Meeting came to order at 7 pm with Ky Koitzsch, Patti Green Swift, Corey Stephenson and Stellan Wollmar in attendance.

The motion by Patti Green Swift to accept the minutes of the April 15th meeting was passed unanimously.

Ky outlined the article which is due to appear in *The Valley Reporter* on May 13th describing the restoration of the Van Loon barn which is located next to Chase Brook. The article will seek volunteers to clear out the barn for the next phase and will also seek "angels" with equipment or funding for this citizens' effort to create an environmental teaching and lecture space for the entire Mad River Valley. (McCullough Barn)

Corey described the status of trail mapping around Chase Brook. About 40% is currently mapped. Corey will now work with the upper unit (5th and 6th graders) at Fayston, deploying students in four groups to map remaining trails using GPS devices. Some discussion ensued about meeting with adjoining land owners concerning potential access and/or agreement about where trails end. These owners include Messers Tenney, Volz and Mariano.

The tri-town conservation meeting was postponed at the request of Waitsfield. We will ask Leo Laferriere of Waitsfield to coordinate a new meeting between June 8th and 10th.

The management plan for Chase Brook continues to move along but is not our highest priority as new events make it a moving target.

Stellan Wollmar mentioned the rabid fox killed in North Fayston, and with our large fox population asked if warden, Chad Bartlett had any plans for an aerial drop of fox baits. (In a follow-up to the State Police, Stellan learned there were no plans for an aerial drop and that the baits cannot be hand delivered.)

The committee will discuss the potential for new and/or alternate FNRC members to ensure voting quorums since many committee members are now involved in travel.

The meeting was adjourned at 8 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Stellan Wollmar
Acting Secretary