

**Fayston Natural Resources Committee**

**October 9, 2012**

**Minutes**

**Present:** Ky Koitzsch, Lisa Koitzsch, Cory Stephenson, Stan Button, Gene Fialkoff,

**ACTION ITEMS FOR NEXT MEETING**

EVERYONE: Read Chase Brook Town Forest Plan and review ACTION ITEMS compiled by Ky (sent via e-mail)  
Lisa: Find out what the maximum number of Committee members can be  
Ky: Call Yestermorrow about barn boards  
Stan: Begin working on a Google calendar for barn scheduling

**1. Minutes**

Minutes were approved from the September 2012 meeting

**2. Chase Brook Forest Update**

Cory reported about a meeting she had with the Vermont Youth Conservation Corps and the Mad River Path Association. Trail work will continue in late June of next year. The MRPA sign will be moved closer to the barn so that visitors to the path can find out more about the McCullough Barn. There is a possibility that stone steps will be constructed behind the barn down to the Path to facilitate access to the trail from the barn.

Stan reported that he removed all the soil testing tubes in the Town Forest. Way to go Stan!

**3. FNRC Recruitment**

The Board discussed adding a few more people onto the FNRC. This is partly because two members (Ky and Lisa Koitzsch) will be away most of the winter and this will shift the work load inordinately onto the other members, and because there is a lot of work the Board would like to do and it would be helpful to have a few more volunteers. Several names were discussed and Ky, Lisa and Cory agreed to approach these people to determine their interest in serving on FNRC.

**4. Tasks for 2013 and Beyond**

The Board discussed projects that are both ongoing and anticipated for the future.

McCullough Barn: Doors, roof over door, windows, support post, clean up  
Barn use guidelines and calendar  
Landscaping: maintenance, master plan and possible Master Gardner projects

Chase Brook Town Forest: Possibilities for open area on other side of parking lot include berries or orchard  
Continuation of trail work and possible signage  
Deer yard/beech tree/bird habitat/riparian area/wetland management

Educational Opportunities: Exclosure for deer  
Wildlife transects  
Bird surveys  
Winter tracking  
Snowshoe walks

Town Picnic

Conservation: Lathrop parcel – Core Habitat  
Flesh out conservation guidelines

**5. Next FNRC meeting will be on Tuesday, November 13, 2012 at 7:00pm at the Fayston Town Office.**