

MIDDLESEX CONSERVATION COMMISSION
Thursday, June 7, 2018
6:00 p.m.
Shady Rill Picnic Area
Middlesex, VT

Minutes

Commissioners Present: Heather Katz, Ross Lieblappen, George Longenecker, Lee Rosberg, Dave Shepard

Guests: Mitch Osiecki - Middlesex Recreation Director/Zoning Administrator and Dell McDonough

1. Administrative Operations

a. Walk on the Middlesex Town Forest (MTF)

The meeting began with a report from Ross and George who walked most of the flagged trail route on the MTF with neighboring property owner Scott Beaudin and Sumana Serchan from the Vermont Land Trust. Scott had expressed some concern over the uncertainty of the boundary line between his property and the MTF with regard to the proposed trail location. His lawyer will draft an agreement with the Town stating that due to the uncertain boundary location, the Town won't make a claim on his property if a portion of the trail location should prove to be on his property. George will update Select Board chair Peter Hood.

b. Minutes of May 4, 2018 Meeting:

The minutes of the May 4th meeting of the Middlesex Conservation Commission (MCC) were passed over and will be taken up at the August meeting.

c. Treasurer's Report

Heather reported there have been no changes to the fund balances which were as follows:

- Middlesex Conservation Fund = \$9,028.57
- MCC Special Project Fund = \$864.53
- MCC Operating Budget = \$400

d. Correspondence

The Central Vermont Regional Planning Commission (CVRPC) has contacted the MCC regarding preparing a stormwater management plan for Middlesex. This would be a town-wide assessment to identify problem spots. The top five spots would be eligible for a 30% remediation design. CVRPC will check with Worcester about the potential for a combined project.

Brian Prendergast followed up with Lee about the large gully that has formed across from Rumney School on the steep bank above Martin's Brook and they met onsite.

e. Election of Officers

Dave nominated Lee for chair with a second from Ross. All voted in favor of Lee for chair for

the upcoming year. Lee nominated George for vice chair, second by Heather. All voted in favor of George for vice chair. Lee nominated Heather for treasurer with a second from Ross. All voted in favor of Heather for treasurer. Ross nominated Dave for secretary with a second by Lee. All voted in favor of Dave for secretary.

f. New Commission Member

Dell McDonough was in attendance and expressed interest in filling the remaining vacancy on the MCC. She said she has worked as a public health nurse and has lived in Middlesex for 28 years. Lee summarized the general mission of the MCC and current projects that the MCC is involved with. Lee made a motion to recommend the Select Board appoint Dell to the MCC with a second from Dave. All voted in favor of the motion.

The business meeting adjourned at 6:55 p.m. followed by the annual potluck dinner for which the MCC was joined by Cynthia Martin and Steph Lieblappen.

Minutes recorded by Dave Shepard, MCC Secretary