

MONMOUTH CONSERVATION COMMISSION

Meeting Minutes– Tuesday, July 14, 2015

Present: Commissioners Herb Whittier (v.chair/treas), Randy Schiller (chair) and Cindy Parker (secr). Absent: Commissioner Larry Buggia. We had a quorum. Meeting began at 7:00pm.

Election of officers: Discussion. *Herb made a **motion** to re-elect Randy Schiller as chair; Cindy seconded; all voted in favor. Herb made a **motion** to re-elect Cindy Parker as secretary; Randy seconded; all voted in favor. Cindy made a **motion** to re-elect Herb as vice chair and as treasurer; Randy seconded; all voted in favor.*

We were all very disappointed to hear that Bob Mulliken has **resigned** from the MonmCC. He notified the Selectboard and we received an email letter from him on June 25th. Discussion about finding another commissioner. Randy will write a letter thanking Bob for his service.

The **minutes** of June 9th were reviewed. *Herb made a **motion** to approve the minutes as presented; Randy seconded; all voted yes.*

Monmouth Fair: Discussion about having a MonmCC table at the fair, July 30-Aug 2. Herb called Paul Fox to check on space availability and cost – space is \$150 per group. Paul said there may be space around the 4-H group; we can put a small table there. Cindy volunteered to work up a handout and put some information together about local trails, what cc's are, what MonmCC does, conserving land, etc.

Herb has left messages with Doug Beck of **Recreational Trails Grant Program**. He will keep trying.

Cindy received from Kim in the office, the current list of **tax acquired properties**. When town manager Curt Lunt comes back from vacation, she will ask if there are properties the town wants us to look at.

Randy was recently contacted by Jim Connors of Kennebec Land Trust. KLT is interested in acquiring a parcel on **Waughan Road** (tax map 35 lot 18). Randy was appointed “point” on this, and will find out more.

Cindy has still not received the **reimbursement** check for \$41.11. Herb suggested to ask Mary in the office about it again.

MEACC: Randy will put together notes and a list of names and organizations from the meeting in May.

McCabe Park: Herb reported that he, Randy, Curt Lunt, Bruce of Public Works, and Lloyd McCabe met [what date?] to talk about the property. At that meeting, it was agreed that the CC is the liaison group to the town about the McCabe Nature Park. Lloyd has taken some of the rabbit hutches apart to make more room inside the building. Herb agreed to be on point for the CC with the park.

Project Canopy: Cindy reported the students have finished their inventory; the health assessment and report is still to be done by the foresters. Public works took down a big maple tree near Cumston in the last couple weeks [how old was it?]. This is an example of gaps and recommendations for re-planting.

Meeting **adjourned** at 8:45pm.

The next meeting of the Monmouth Conservation Commission is August 11, 2015 at 7:00pm at the Monmouth Municipal Office.

Recorded by
Cindy Parker, Monmouth CC Secretary