

## Minutes Bradford Conservation Commission 4/6/15

**Members Present:** Riley Hudson, Sandy Price, Barbara Kulzyck, Ed Wendell, Nancy Jones

**Members Absent:** Monique Priestley, Billy Brigtsen, Tom Gray

**Guests:** Rick Evans, Crystal McCullough

**Minutes of 4/15/15** were approved as written

**Finances** the following bills were presented to be paid:

<b>Payable to:</b>	<b>Amount:</b>	<b>For:</b>	<b>From:</b>	<b>Status:</b>
Bridge Weekly	\$46.40	Tire Drop Ad on 4/23	Green Up Funds	Approved
Journal Opinion	\$74.80	Tire Drop Ad on 4/22	Green Up Funds	Approved
Sandy Price	\$329.49	5 trees, 5 fertilizer, 4 mulch	FOWM Fund (Arbor Day Grant)	Approved
Conservation Fund	\$210.00	14 water bottles @ \$15 For trail work volunteers	FOWM Fund (Arbor Day Grant)	Approved
Nancy Jones	\$23.47	Snacks for trail work volunteers	FOWM Fund (Arbor Day Grant)	Approved
Rick Evans	\$53.20	Race Supplies	FOWM Fund	Approved
Nancy Jones	\$133.88	Ink Cartridges	BCC Budget (Supplies)	Approved

### Recap Green Up and Tire Drop

Barbara reported that 72 tires were collected at the Tire Drop and 96 bags of trash plus 8 bags of recyclables were collected during Green-Up.

Challenges this year: Posters & supplies came late; roll-off was not set in place until Friday morning; company that usually takes the tires had a truck break-down, so tires stayed at the Town Highway Garage for 2 weeks.

Participation was not as high this year as in the past. Some roads did not get cleaned up this year. Rick suggested each road have a road captain who will recruit neighbors to help. He did this on Wrights MT Road and it was cleaned from the trailhead parking area down to Route 25.

Nancy suggested publicity starts 2 weeks in advance next year. People did not know that previous drop-off points were not acceptable this year, and they followed their old habits.

**Recap of Arbor Day Celebration** - Huge Success – 3 staff from Urban & Community Forestry Program, 4 staff from King Arthur Flour, Riley & Nancy & Carol Bean of Parks & Rec & 5 community members came to help. Tom went up in early a.m. & cut up trees that had fallen across trails and Ed posted the sign at Route 25/WM Road in a.m. All of WM Trail from cabin to vernal pool was groomed and Ernie's Trail from intersection of Cindy's Trail to vernal pool

was groomed. Five dwarf weeping crab apples were planted along the bank at Denny Park under Sandy's leadership.

### **Conservation Fund**

**Yard Sale** – Barbara and Ed and potentially Riley and Billy will help set up tent and tables at Boch Park at 4:30 on Thursday, May 21. Sandy & Nancy will help move items from Nancy's garage to the tent at 5 pm. Volunteers are needed to cover shifts on Friday, May 22 and Saturday May 23. BCC members will be contacted by Jenny Copeland.

**Annual Appeal** – last year's letter requested contributions to help pay for the Natural Resources Inventory. Money was raised to pay for the Inventory as follows:

Annual Appeal.....	\$1,517.00
AVCC Grant.....	\$ 600.00
NEGEF.....	\$ 1,000.00
Byrne Foundation.....	\$ 1,000.00
Fund-Raising.....	\$ 7,976.00
• Race to the Top....	\$ 753
• Calendar Sales.....	\$1,585
• Yard Sale.....	\$1,536
• Buck-A-Pie.....	\$ 521
• Hats, Shirts, etc...	\$ 160
• Marchi Gras.....	\$3,172
• Ben Kilham.....	\$ 249
<b>Total Income.....</b>	<b>\$12,093.00</b>

The approximate cost of the Natural Resources Inventory was \$11,000.00

***No Tax Dollars were used to complete the Natural Resources Inventory***

### **Stewardship**

**Decision on FOWM Scholarship** – One application was received from Amelia McIntire, who plans to study Early Childhood Special Education. The criteria for the scholarship states that it is to be used for a student accepted into “an accredited Natural Resources or Environmental Studies Program”. Because of this, Amelia did not qualify for this scholarship.

**Decision on Co-sponsoring May 30th Hike** It was voted to co-sponsor this hike with the Sean Tillotson Memorial Fund Committee.

**Signs re management of Wrights MT/Devil's Den** (tabled until next meeting)

### **Race**

- \$500 sponsorship check has been received from St. J Auto

- Rick & Crystal want 3.5 and 1.5 mile groups to start at the same place and the same time & stated good reasons for this; all agreed
- Barbara will contact Fast Squad volunteers re being there again this year; \$50 donation due them for their scholarship fund
- Rick & Crystal suggested changes to poster; Rick will contact Monique about these changes; Nancy will print posters as soon as final copy is sent by Monique
- Crystal edited on-line registration site to reflect changes that were decided upon
- Nancy will take updated poster & registration forms to Omar & Bob's in Lebanon
- Riley will visit LL Bean & ask for prize donation
- Rick has sent about 100 emails, but no on-line registrations have come in yet
- Publicity – Rick has posted on Valley News Community Calendar; Riley will contact 99Rock's community Calendar; Nancy will contact WYKR's community calendar. Nancy will post on listserves; Monique has already posted on Facebook; will be posted in Customer Appreciation Days Flyer in the JO
- What about paid ads in local papers? What about a separate ad for this in Customer Appreciation Days Flyer? No decision was made.
- Bonna & Rec Dept will be asked to help publicize and possibly be sweepers for the race or to help with parking
- Rick will contact World Cup Supply re their support; may include them as supporter on poster
- Prizes confirmed – 2 \$25 Gift Certificates from Farmway; 2 \$25 Gift Certificates from Colatina Exit; hand-made basket from Bethanne Tillotson; Rick will ask Leslie Batistoni re donating a massage; Sandy may ask JM Landscaping re donating a potted plant;
- Rick asks if Tom can pick up donation from Fleet Feet.
- Need to reach out to area schools

We'll have 2 more meetings prior to the Race.

### **Natural Resources Inventory**

**Decision on Public Presentation** – Decided on Monday, June 15; Nancy will check on availability of BA and Arrowwood. 250 Anniversary Committee will provide \$75 for advertising and we can use the 250<sup>th</sup> logo in our promotion of this.

Nancy printed and provided copies of the report for all members and urged that we all read & review this report thoroughly and bring questions and comments about it to our next meeting.

Respectfully submitted, Nancy Jones, Acting Secretary

