

10.11.22 RCC Meeting

Members attending

Judy Rosovsky, Max Krieger, Kit Emery, Ibit Wright, Kate Kreider, Daniel Schmidt

7:30 p.m. Public comments and introductions

No one from the public attending

7:35 Appoint minutes taker; approve June, July and August minutes

Daniel Schmidt taking minutes

September minutes approved

Special meeting minutes approved

Max comments regarding how to take minutes.

Asks the question of whether we're noting who made specific comments.

Judy notes that this is called with attribution.

RCC agrees that brevity is important but there will also be cases where attribution is important, especially in cases where there are contentious issues.

Attributing public comments to those people speaking. But for RCC members, we don't necessarily need to attribute each comment to different RCC members.

7:45 Additions, amendments to agenda

7:50 Updates and discussion:

RCC Budget and information town provides – see C. Bona email

ACFC Trail review proposal tabled

Question of whether we've used our funds provided by the town. We also owe \$50 to the Association of VT Conservation Commissions, if we want to join this organization. General agreement that we want to join.

ACFC proposal

The Select board did not approve the fine-scale trail review proposal because the work had already been done before the select board had the opportunity to approve the funds to pay for the work through the RCC.

The select board didn't deny the proposal, they just tabled it.

Potential project

River erosion is significant. Ravi and Judy are going to speak about the potential for doing this type of work.

Other projects might revolve around accessibility and linking key places by trails. One of these would be the park and ride and the other is the Johnny Brook trail. How can we link these two things to downtown with an off-road pedestrian path.

8:10 Ecology and recreation review meeting in Richmond continued: Speakers and subcommittee. See list in July 2022 minutes replicated here:

“Names of speakers we suggested who might talk in the series: Matt Leonard, Ethan Tapper, Jens Hilke, Wright Preston, Liz Thompson, possibly someone from the state.

Dan Schmidt to check his list of names to add to the above list.”

We might ask VT Master Naturalist Program for ideas and Forest, Parks and Recreation Rec folks, and Richmond Rec Committee.

Yes! To forming a subcommittee. Daniel is interested. There is the potential for a partnership with RLT. Kit maybe, Bob maybe, Ibit maybe. Daniel will contact potentially interested committee members to form the subcommittee.

!!! Please email Judy availability regarding November 8th meeting. We may need to reschedule depending on member’s availability.

8:30 Discuss RCC meeting in person or hybrid meetings or continuing to meet virtually. We can try to meet in person, with a virtual option. If covid cases increase significantly, we can choose to go remote. We will start the in person option in December.

8:40 Fern protection – no trespassing doesn’t work on public land. Need delegate to talk to Gabriel Firman (landowner) and police chief. I have failed to do this so another volunteer would be great.

Deferred to another time. The speaker project is more important, giving the timing. So we’ll focus on getting that going and will focus on ferns at a later time.

Need to make sure that the CRF gets on the ballot for spring of 2023.

8:50 Matters arising

None

8:55 Adjourn