TOWN OF MONTGOMERY PO BOX 356 MONTGOMERY CENTER, VT 05471 802-326-4719 <u>http://www.montgomeryvt.us</u> CONSERVATION COMMISSION MEETING (unapproved draft) WEDNESDAY, JUNE 6, 2018

The meeting was called to order at 5:35 p.m. at the Public Safety Building (PSB) conference room. (Meeting scheduled ½ hour later than usual due to presentation being held immediately following.) Attendance: Charlie Hancock, Joan Hildreth, Monica Hill, Misty McCartney, Sue Wilson. Absent: Todd Lantery, Carissa Stein Visitor(s): None

Additions/Deletions to Agenda – None.

- <u>Minutes from May 2, 2018</u> reviewed. Sue made a motion to approve the May minutes as written, Misty seconded, the motion passed. May minutes approved.
- <u>Treasurer's Report/Fundraising Update:</u> The latest balance in the account as of 6/6/18 was the same as last month: \$8,923.00. However, money related to the recent membership letter mailing is starting to come in.
- Planned Events/Fundraisers:
 - Mushroom Cultivation with Mike Walker of Philo Woodland Farm (which is in Charlotte, VT) – June 6th at 6:30 at the PSB. (Being held immediately after this MCC meeting.)
 - **Cuisine for Conservation** Fundraiser dinner for MCC and Cold Hollow to Canada (CHC) at the **Black Lantern Inn** evening of July 8th.
 - Pollinator Gardens with Charlie Nardozzi July 11th at 6:30 p.m. at the PSB.
 - Wildflower Packets Fundraiser Summer 2018 Monica showed everyone the draft of the pamphlet re: info about wildflowers/pollinators as well as the packet design for the seeds. Everyone agreed that it all looks great. The proposed plan is to have 100 pamphlets printed (which Monica will take care of) and to sell packets of seeds for \$2.00 each. These will be available at the Montgomery Farmers' Market this summer. Joan made a motion to approve the plan, Misty seconded, the motion passed.

Proposed Events/Fundraisers:

- Private Land Management Workshop (including info re: pollinators)

 outdoors, in the field. Maybe end of August or September. Awaiting response from Xerces to the inquiry Carissa made. Charlie will check on possible dates and availability re: proposed location.
- **River Clean-Up Sept 8th** Continuing with idea of coordinating with Wild and Scenic. Misty and Lindsey Wight are working on details.
- Water Quality Issues Presentation/Panel maybe September. Misty has spoken with Jim McCartney of DNR re: ideas for a panel. She will get

more info re: the panel discussion and showing of the "Lake Effect" film (which is also proposed to be a part of this event) which was held at the State House this past April. Todd could not be at tonight's meeting but might have additional suggestions for presenters as a result of having done project on cyanobacteria. Further discussion tabled until next meeting.

- OTHER BUSINESS/INFORMATION -
- <u>Town Forest</u> Tabled for a future date.
- <u>MCC ListServ</u> Sue has the donation list and will give that to Charlie for the MCC ListServ which is being developed
- Other Means of Sharing Info as well as Clarification of Roles: It was agreed that, as secretary, Joan will be responsible for sharing info re: MCC events via the following: MCC Facebook page; Front Porch Forum; town website/calendar; town newsletter; Franklin County Conservation Groups shared calendar; CHC e-mail to program director; school newsletter (for some events). Joan will also ask Zach about idea of posting events on the MCC page of the town's website. Charlie will continue to develop the posters for events. Sue will continue to print hard copies of posters for MCC events for distribution around town.
- <u>Printer Ink</u> Related to the above, there was discussion about Sue utilizing her own printer and ink for the color posters and the need for more ink for the next printings. Misty made a motion that the MCC reimburse Sue for the cost of printer ink, Joan seconded, the motion passed.

Joan moved to adjourn, Sue seconded, motion passed. Meeting adjourned at 6:15 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by Joan Hildreth