



Conservation Commission

Town Of Hinesburg

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Meeting Minutes January 28, 2014

Members Present: Meg Handler, Alison Lesure, Bill Marks

Members Absent: None

Meeting called to order at 7:00 p.m.

Topics Discussed

- Geprags:
 - VT Gas Pipeline through Geprags - Write letter to Select Board 1) reiterate opposition to locating the pipeline in a public park 2) request that VT Gas pursue use of the existing VELCO easement 3) raise questions, concerns stemming from the public discussion at the January 27th Select Board meeting. Post information to FPF, request to have people comment/send letters to Select Board.
 - Campfire for Girl Scout event – Meg will respond to Robin Miller who inquired about having a campfire during a Girl Scout event at the Park. All members fine with this, ask that fire is 50 feet back from the barn and that the scouts cleanup/disperse ashes so little or no evidence of a fire to discourage unapproved fires at Geprags.
- Discussed the direction of the Commission, future projects and focuses per the meeting Alison and Meg had with w/Alex and Peter. Related, the Commission has three potential new members.
- Haystack Crossing Project – Meg attended the meeting with Alex, Peter, and representatives from other commissions and committees, provided update. This is a major subdivision development that will significantly impact Hinesburg. Commissions and committees should make their comments and recommendations to DRB. Meg is going to circle back and see how other committees or commissions are planning to approach this. The Feb.18th DRB mtg. will begin the review of the Haystack Crossing subdivision sketch plan, all or some of the Conservation Commission members plan to attend.
- Budget – Commission has been level funded for next year. If additional money is needed for the professional editing and finalization of the Greenspace Plan, commission can use money from the “barn fund”.

Next Meeting: February 11th, 2014

Meeting Adjourned at 8:45 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Alison Lesure