

Meeting Minutes Thursday December 2nd, 2021: 1020 Highland Drive in Alpine Haven

Attendees: Sarah Lunn, Lindsey Wight, Craig Cimmons, Cynthia Scott, John Little, Paul Stanley, Linda Stanley

- 1) Potluck: enjoy good food and good company!

Meeting called to order at 8:00 PM.

- 2) Jim MacKenzie sends his season's greeting to all
- 3) Review of November minutes

CS made a motion to approve minutes as written. PS seconded. All in favor.

- 4) Event overview: knotweed bonfire

Had a pretty good turnout to the overall event. Thank you to board members that were able to attend and help out! We were able to burn all of the summer's knotweed, however the smoke did smell pretty bad. If we repeat for next year, we would make a larger bonfire to help mitigate the smoke/smell/problems with keeping the fire going. Hot cider was a hit!

- 5) New Board member – Marlena Valenta?

JL motioned to approve MV as a new member if she would like to join. PS seconded. All in favor.

- 6) CWSP update – Basin Water Quality Councils will be forming for each Basin – possibly by the end of January. We will be able to recommend watershed groups (2 seats on the BWQC) in the coming weeks.
- 7) Administrative/Communications position – Lindsey will use her year-end accounting as an excuse to make the task list and send that out before our January meeting, so that we can move forward with a position description!

CS mentioned that we may need accounting for the upcoming year.

- 8) Grants – invited to apply (max of \$10,000) through Forward Philanthropy – due 12/15

LCBP Org Support – due 12/17

CNVHP filming project – due 1/5

Ideas discussed on what to apply for grant funding for included: funding the potential new position in the new year; the 25th anniversary event; hosting a town wide meeting on the Franklin side of the watershed;

- 9) Office update from John? Other business?

JL is in the process of locating the septic at the office building. A contractor will be coming out with John Cote to locate the septic and where the wastewater is going from the building.

Suggestion to start working with large local companies (Jay Peak, Casella, MEI, Sun Common?) on projects (tree plantings) or events

- 10) Next meeting – January 6, 2022 – via Zoom? Wait and see?

If the meeting is in person, it will be at the Enosburg EMS Building. Depending on the status of covid outbreaks in Vermont and will reassess closer to the meeting date. CS motioned adjournment; PS seconded. Meeting adjourned at 8:51 PM.