

Minutes of the Thetford Conservation Commission – 24 April 2013 at 7:15 PM

Present: Jason Berard, Bob Pulaski, Eric Pyle, Connie Snyder, Skip Sturman, Ann Lavanway, Jeff Smith, Libby Chapin

Absent: Li Shen

Guest: Bob Linck of the Vermont Land Trust

1. Minutes from the 20 March 2013 meeting were approved.
2. Bob Linck of the Vermont Land Trust told the Commission that the owners of the Crossroad Farm, Janet and Tim Taylor, are interested in working with VLT to conserve the farm.
3. Jason gave update on Gove Hill Retreat. The property is on the market and owners want to sell it by the end of the year. The property is composed of three parcels. There would have to be a conservation-minded buyer in order to conserve it.
4. Connie coordinated the preparations for the May 4th bird walk at the Taylor Parcel. Dr. George Clark will lead the walk.
5. The Commission will follow up with the Selectboard on our request to provide a “No Motorized Vehicles” sign and post for Hughes Forest.
6. The West Fairlee buffer planting is scheduled for May 18th,
7. The Crown Jewel walk on Deecie Dennison’s property is scheduled for Saturday, June 8th.
8. A public meeting and discussion of the Phase 2 Geomorphic Study of the Ompompanoosuc River in Thetford is scheduled for Thursday, May 16th at 7:00 PM at Thetford Center Community Center: Discussion will include possible riverbank restoration projects.

Meeting adjourned at 8:55PM.

Reminder that Commission members should let Li know ahead of time if they cannot attend the next Conservation Committee meeting, so that she can plan accordingly.

Our next meeting is May 8, 2013.

Respectfully submitted,
Ann Lavanway