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Minutes Cow Pasture Committee
Thursday –November 21, 2019
5:30 – 6:30 p.m.

In Attendance: Chris Russo-Fraysier, Mike Perrigo, Tim Rapenzynski, Maura Quinn

Non- Committee Members in Attendance: Steve Mackenzie

Call to order: 5:35 pm

Adjustments to Agenda: Committee Membership, WinterFest, Mayor's requests

Approval of minutes (9-19-2019)-Moved–Mike. Seconded-Tim. All in favor -Motion passes

Agenda Items:

Communication Policy Reading:

Updates:

- Land Conservation Update- no update.
- Sign Replacement – not yet reinstalled. Mike will reinstall in the spring.
- Fall initiatives: Tim planted native milkweed seeds near the bench at the fork in the trail, Chris bagged and removed the fruiting burning bush and approximately 100 young non-fruiting plants in the general area. Ted Fecteau (instructor) and the Exploratory Tech Class at the Central Vermont Career Center installed 3 Bluebird boxes in the Pasture. Maura Quinn volunteered to maintain the boxes. Tim posted signs and Facebook posts advising walkers to use caution during hunting season due to proximity of Barre Town property.

Adjustments to the Agenda:

- Sharon Lunde - has resigned from the Committee due to inability to make meetings. Will be a 'friend' of the Committee and assist when she can.
- Vermont Bicycle Shop has requested Committee approval to host WinterFest on February 9, 2020. Approval Moved: Tim. Seconded: Mike. All in favor. Council approval will be required.
- Mayor Lucas Herring requested that City Committees attend 4 Council Meetings to update the Council. The Cow Pasture Committee has appreciated the Council's past interest in the Committee's activities and has provided Annual updates since the Committee was formed and plans to present to the Council in January 2020. The Committee felt that 4/year was excessive given that Meeting Minutes are posted on the City Web site. Current committee activities are already putting a strain on members ability to follow-through on the Committee's core mission. The Committee recommends a 2/year presentation. Chris will reach out to Lucas Herring. Motion: Chris. Seconded-Maura. All in favor-Motion passes.

Cow Pasture Logo and Signs:

- Tim further outlined proposal for a simple 2" X 2" image that captures the essence of Committee's mission. Tim will advertise on Facebook, City Web Site and FPF and will engage Community, SHS Arts Classes and Studio Place Art. Proposed time frame: January kick-off after Council presentation and approval. Updates will be provided at the March and May Meetings and the final entry date will be the end of June. July decision. September- official announcement. Committee members are encouraged to participate.

Council Presentation:

- Goal is to present after January 2020 Meeting. Content to be discussed at January Committee Meeting.
- Committees goals for upcoming year will include preservation of paper streets as green-paths to the Pasture. Mark's letter was reviewed and accepted by Committee members.

VAST Connector Trail:

- 2019-2020 VAST Sno-Bee Agreement attachment was approved. Chris will send attachment to Mike Perrigo who is scheduled to go before the Council December 3, 2019.
- Chris requested Permission to post the paper street between Quinlan Drive with a no snowmobiling sign at the entrance to the Pasture. The side trail has been used in prior years and is not an Official trail. Motion: Chris. Seconded Tim. All in favor- Motion passes

Winter -Initiatives

- Council Presentation
- Logo contest
- WinterFest

Initiatives that need a Committee Lead and work entailed:

- Conservation Zone Ordinances
- Replacing Maps
- Co-ordinate with Amanda Garland (Barre Tech) and other community volunteers

Vacant Positions:

Fund raising Coordinator/Treasurer, Volunteer Coordinator, and Natural Resource Manager.

Future Agenda Items:

- WinterFest
 - Council Update
 - Cow Pasture Logo
5. Adjourn 6:4 p.m. Chris - Motion to adjourn. Maura 2nd . Passed

2020 Meeting Schedule:

Meeting Location: City Hall- Council Chambers

Time: 5:30 –6:30 p.m.

January 16, 2020

March 19, 2020

May 21, 2020

July, 16, 2020

September 17, 2020

November 19, 2020

Important Dates/Meetings:

Council Update- January presentation. Date to be scheduled.

WinterFest - February 9, 2020