

Manchester Conservation Commission
September 6, 2012

Meeting called to order at 7:04 PM

Present: Garry Hinkley, chair; Jeff Jenelle, Jeff Reardon, Deb, Annie, Fred, Shenna

Absent: Stephanie

I. Gannett Wood/MCC Project Update & Planning (Jeff Jenelle/Annie)

MCC Crew & Housing: We have a signed contract with MCC for a crew of six. We are still looking for housing for them. Have sent out feelers but have no confirmation. Need to have running water.

Signage: Jeff Reardon volunteered to post a laminated sign notifying members of the public of the project. Annie volunteered to send Jeff Reardon language to give credit to the funder on the sign.

Materials:

Lumber: Jeff Jenelle obtained quotes for materials to build 62 bog bridges. Based on the quotes, we can obtain the requisite logs and board lengths \$3,400 for cedar. The cost is \$1.20 a board foot, which compares favorably with the other bid, which was \$1.50 a board foot. The bid includes free delivery. This does not include hardware. Group discussed obtaining donations but also the difficulty involved with delivery. Jeff Reardon moved that we authorize the expenditure of up to \$3,400 on wood products from Dimension Lumber in Livermore; it was seconded by Shenna and unanimously approved.

Hardware: Shenna moved that we authorize the expenditure of up to \$1,000 on hardware, and it was seconded by Jeff Reardon and unanimously approved. Jeff Jenelle will manage procurement for lumber and hardware.

Culverts: Recommended that Jeff Jenelle inquire with the town about availability and procurement.

Equipment: Jeff Reardon volunteered to ask Lindell Dudley about parking for the MCC volunteers in the vacant property and helping us install 6 culverts and some ditching over 1300 feet between the Stone Bridge and the trail this fall.

Permitting: Jeff Reardon flagged permit requirements for culverts. Jeff Jenelle volunteered to check with the town code enforcement officers. Garry volunteered to check in with Pat to alert him to this.

MCC Team Leader Walk Through: Annie will track down contact info for the team leader. Fridays and weekends are the best days for scheduling. Garry will be out of town during the third week of October and would prefer that the walk through happen when he is in town if possible. Note: need to discuss with the team leader (and Lindell) the issue of culverts on the KLT side to see if it's possible to do it.

Time Tracking: Each person will keep track of time and bring it to each meeting. Deb will bring sample time sheet and compile the data.

II. LL Bean Grant Report/Review (Annie)– Annie is finishing the LL Bean grant (thank you!) and noted that we all need to keep an eye out for other sources of funds. Deb volunteered to talk to Longfellows. On the Equine Grant, Deb will investigate the availability of funds.

III. Snowmobile Trail Reroute Update

Paul Giguere did not attend the meeting, but Garry volunteered to suss out the snowmobile club's willingness to finance the project and find out estimates of numbers. Annie noted that we should put the cost of the bridge, which they are supporting, into our overall project budget for LL Bean.

IV. Apple Festival Presence

Garry will identify a contact with ecomaine and reach out to them for possible educational materials. Garry volunteered to do that.

V. Comp Plan Requirements and Assignments Reports

Annie is gathering the file on vernal pools.

Jeff Reardon expressed interest in participating in the Land Use Ordinance Committee and will reach out to Pat.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:31 pm.