HARDWICK CONSERVATION COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES October 14, 2024 @ 5:00pm @ Memorial Bldg.

Present: Tyler Buswell, Kathy Hemmens, Rachel Kane, Norma Wiesen,

Lucy Zendzian

Absent: Lesa Cathcart, Ken Davis, Ben Pougnier

Pre-meeting phone conservation with Jan Mueller, Director of the Hardwick Downtown Partnership, **about their Tree Planting project:**

- **1.** Group agreed to door-to-door outreach to property owners within the designated Downtown Area
- **2.** Tyler, working with Jan, offered to make an easily readable map of properties
- **3.** Jan agreed to create a handout for distribution
- **I.** Meeting called to order at 5:20
- II. Minutes of Aug. 12 and Sept. 9, 2024 approved unanimously
- III. Act 59 Educational event with Trey Martin, Nov. 6 at 7pm, Memorial Bldg.

ADVERTISING:

- **1. Norma** will advertise on FPF: Hardwick, Woodbury, Walden, Craftsbury, Greensboro (and contact the CC's in those towns) and contact Northern Rivers Land Trust
- **2. Kathy** will contact David Gross, Hardwick Planning Commission

- **3. Lucy** will contact Natural Resources Conservation Districts (Lamoille and Caledonia Counties)
- **4. Lucy** will create a poster for distribution

OTHER:

- **1. Rachel** will make arrangements with HCTV for taping the event, securing a microphone, etc.
- **2. Kathy** will arrange to have the electronic equipment Mr. Martin will need
- **3. Kathy** will arrange to have an honorarium check drawn
- **4. Norma** has handouts of the Act 59 fact sheet supplied by Mr. Martin

REFRESHMENTS:

- 1. Rachel will provide hot coffee and tea
- 2. Kathy, Lucy and Rachel will bring baked goodies
- 3. Norma will provide cider, paper goods and tablecloth

IV. Reports

1. Oct. 10 Tuttle Pond event with Matt Peters/Jonathan Shapiro:

Turn-out was good (12) on a bad weather day; very informative

- **2. Oct. 5 Downtown Tree Planting info and cookout:** Many contacts made; 2 property owners took applications
- **3. Norma** reported she accepted an invitation to serve on a Jackson Dam Task Force organized by Emily Finnegan, Caledonia County Natural Resources Conservation District
- **4. Lucy** is exploring resources for an HCC retreat. She will contact VT Council on Rural Development's Community Visits program and may look into grants from the VT Community Foundation.

V. Meeting adjourned at 6:20

Next regular meeting: Mon., Nov. 11, 2024 @ 5:00pm @ Memorial Bldg.

Submitted by Norma Wiesen, Secretary