

**Town of Hardwick  
Hardwick, Vermont 05843**

**HARDWICK CONSERVATION COMMISSION MEETING  
MINUTES**

**November 13, 2023 @ 5:00 pm @ Memorial Bldg.**

**Present:** Ken Davis, Kathy Hemmens, Rachel Kane, Erin Rosenthal, Norma Wiesen

**Absent:** Ben Pougner, Jerry Schneider, Lucy Zendzian

**Guest:** Emily Lanxner

1. Meeting called to order 5:05 pm
2. Minutes of October 9, 2023 approved
3. Budget discussion
  - A. Fund needs for coming year: Public events honoraria, Stream erosion project, Plants for bank stabilization and pollinator garden, Spring Festival plants, Publicity, Refreshments
  - B. Unanimous vote to ask the Selectboard for a \$2000 budget for 2023-24. Motion by **Ken**, seconded by **Erin**
  - C. **Kathy** will speak to Casey Rowell about the current budget balance and next steps
4. Discussion with **Emily Lanxner** about proposal
  - A. **Emily** asked the HCC to consider a project to make use of a currently unused portion of Hazen Union land on the south side of the property, abutting West Church Street residents' properties. Her suggestions included pollinator-friendly plants, a sunflower garden, a resiliency garden.
  - B. **Emily** has spoken with the Hazen Principal and Maintenance Director.
  - C. Commission members agreed to discuss the proposal at a later meeting when all members are present.
5. **Kathy** reported that a public meeting with Rep. Peter Anthony about Conservation Bill H126 would have to occur after the Vermont legislative session ends in the spring.
6. **Rachel** will contact Jonathan Shapiro about scheduling a tracking event before spring.
7. Meeting adjourned at 6:30.

Submitted by Norma Wiesen, Secretary

**NEXT REGULAR MEETING: TUES, DEC 11 @ 5:00PM @  
MEMORIAL BLDG**