

Town of Hardwick  
Hardwick, VT 05843

**HARDWICK CONSERVATION COMMISSION MEETING  
MINUTES**

**Monday, February 12, 2024 @ Memorial Bldg.**

**Present:** Ken Davis, Kathy Hemmens, Rachel Kane, Ben Pougner, Norma Wiesen

**Absent:** Jerry Schneider, Lucy Zendzian

1. Meeting called to order at 5:00 pm
2. Minutes of January 8 and 24 meetings approved
3. **Kathy** will prepare a draft spending policy for events, honoraria, etc. There was discussion to offer \$150 for honoraria.
4. **Rachel** reported that the Downtown Partnership did not receive grant monies for their tree planting project. They are seeking other sources. Updates to follow.
5. **Ben** reported that he has ordered tree seedlings for the Spring Festival.
6. **Publicity for upcoming events:**
  - a. **NRI Presentation by Matt Powers, March 23, 2:00 pm, Mem. Bldg.**
    - i. **Rachel** will confirm that **Lucy** will make posters
    - ii. **Rachel** will arrange for HCTV to record the event
    - iii. **Norma** will post on FPF and in the Gazette
    - iv. **Norma** will make a sign-up sheet for attendees who are interested in joining the Commission
    - v. **Members** can help distribute the posters as widely as possible.
  - b. **Tracking event with Jonathan Shapiro, March 30, 10-12, Hardwick Trails**

- i. **Rachel** will confirm that **Lucy** will make posters
- ii. **Norma** will advertise on FPF and in the Gazette

c. **Town Meeting: Norma** has made a flyer to distribute at the meeting

**7. Rachel** reported that Emily Finnegan (Caledonia Co. Natural Resources Conservation District) and Jed Feffer (Stewards of the Greensboro Watershed) will attend the next meeting to discuss riparian restoration

**8. Kathy** suggested inviting Tim McKay, reporter for The North Star monthly newspaper, to be a speaker at a public meeting about Vermont's new Act 59 ("30x30") conservation law.

**9. Rachel** will communicate with Emily Lanxner, expressing the Commission's unwillingness to lead her proposed project

**10.** Meeting adjourned at 6:10 pm

**Next regular meeting: Monday, March 11, 2024 @ 5:00 @ Mem. Bldg.**

Submitted by Norma Wiesen, Secretary