Bartlett Conservation Commission

May 10, 2022 Minutes

Present: Chris Fithian (chair), Colleen Ryan (member), Steve Frackleton (member), Craig Billie (guest)

Called to order: 6:05 pm

Valley Pride Day:

Steve Frackleton reported that Valley Pride Day on May 7 was a success, despite somewhat low turnout. The Commission thanked Steve for organizing the event and collecting the full trash bags. Approximately 60 bags of trash were removed from Bartlett roadsides, but there is plenty more to do. The Commission will consider hosting additional work days throughout the year, as feedback indicates that the work would be more manageable if it happened more often. Steve is investigating the Adopt the Highway program through NHDOT, hoping to encourage more Bartlett businesses to participate. Currently, the only participating business we know of is Storyland.

Action item: Steve will look into the Adopt the Highway program and propose some businesses and civic groups to approach.

Resignation:

Jesse Jameson has resigned from the Commission. The Commission appreciates her service to the town. Action item: Colleen will take over Jesse's project of creating a Facebook page for the Commission.

Visitor/prospective member:

Bartlett resident Craig Billie attended the meeting to learn more about the work of the Commission. The chair outlined the Commission's duties and current projects, and Craig indicated that he is willing to serve. Craig shared that he has extensive conservation-related volunteer experience with the AMC and the local land trust in his former home in upstate NY. The members unanimously agreed to support Craig's application for the open seat on the Commission.

Morrell Property:

Annette Libby (Bartlett Recreation director) was scheduled to attend the April meeting to update the Commission on plans for the Morrell property, but that visit was postponed due to illness.

Action item: Mike Morin will reschedule the presentation.

Site Visits:

The Commission plans site visits to the Morrell property and the Stillings Grant conservation easement this month.

Adjourned: 7:10pm