

Stranahan Stewardship Committee
Minutes
January 31, 2017

This meeting is the January monthly meeting which was rescheduled from January 24th due to weather

Date: January 31, 2017

Place: Old Schoolhouse Common Meeting Room

Time: 6:00 PM

Attendees: Rich Phillips, Michael Sabourin, Sarah Fowler, Jenny Warshow, Brett Engstrom

Public Attendees: Kass Phillips, Anne Miller, Chris Martin

Public Comment: None

Agenda Adjustment: None

Approval of January 10, 2017 minutes—Approved with Mike Baril’s name corrected. The minutes were later amended to correct the motion by adding “at this time” to the end of the motion (See “Bike Decision Letter”.)

Meeting with Vermont Land Trust 75 mins—Rescheduled to Feb. 28 due to VLT representative’s illness

Agreement on wording of bike decision letter 20 mins—The discussion was focused around rewording the “Bike Proposal” Letter that will be delivered to the SB. The edited version was updated.

Budget letter to Select Board 15 mins—Rich noted that we are a “Designated Fund”. This means that funds stay in the Committee’s till. Rich noted that:

1. Pre-Approval is needed for most items except for a set aside for small expenditures
2. We need to bring most proposed expenditures to the Select Board (SB) for approval.
3. Letter to be named “Expenditure Plan” (Kass’ suggestion, all agree).
4. Letter will use the expenditure plan originally approved by the Committee of \$1250. The original \$600 for tree removal at the parking lot (no longer necessary) assigned to the parking lot generally
5. Committee (STF) agrees unanimously to submit the “Expenditure Plan” to the SB.

Parking lot trees 10 mins—Chris Martin gave the history for the bids requesting the removal the trees on the Jake Martin Rd. Parking lot. 1 bid was received from, Mike Baril and later Lincoln Centers agreed to take trees down for the firewood which will be pursued. Chris M. asks that we draw up a clear contract listing out expectations of job needed. Also get the proof of insurance from Lincoln. Rich will follow up on these 2 tasks (?). Discussion about volunteer workers keeping wood and coverage of accident coverage. Chris will find out about the insurance coverage.

Agenda Items for February 28th

- Meet with VLT
- Decision Making w/ Absent Member
- Projects for 2017