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**Approved Meeting Minutes
Huntington Conservation Commission
May 8, 2014**

Commissioners in attendance: JB, Roman Livak, Margaret Fowle

Margaret calls meeting to order at 7:10

Review and approve minutes, review mail:

- No mail
- Margaret motions to approve 4/10/14 minutes, Roman seconds; all in favor, motion passes

Public Questions and Comments:

- Sheri Lynn in attendance

River Monitoring Project

- Aaron Worthley doesn't have time to coordinate this year and is curious if anyone on HCC has interest
- If anyone has interest, or knows of someone, please contact Aaron

Selectboard Meeting for Conservation Fund Review-

- May 19th – hopefully HCC will get on Selectboard agenda to discuss proposed changes

Project Updates

ECOS maps

- Cindy Sprague had the maps printed and Margaret has them at her house.
- Jeff Parsons from Arrowwood offered these suggestions for field verification projects:
 - Identifying beech stands in the fall
 - Tracking at road crossings
 - Set up game cameras at wildlife crossing areas
 - Identify important amphibian crossings and accessing vernal pools
- Maps costs \$20 to get them printed
- **Roman motions that we pay the invoice; JB seconds- all in favor; motion passes**
- Roman will mount them maps on foam board if HCC purchases the supplies
- Plan to hang them at Library: is there is a way to post them at Beaudry's and try to engage people? Margaret will ask for electric versions of the maps and print smaller ones, and we can also laminate them.

Wild Parsnip

- Estimate for insert in the Times Ink ended up being quite expensive. 3000 copies needed for all of Times Ink, only 800 needed for Richmond
- Perhaps Richmond will chip in for a portion of the fliers, or we could just put them in the Huntington Times Ink
- Next deadline for Times Ink is within week or two.

- Roman motions to spend up to \$600 for at least 2000 copies of the flier. JB seconds; all in favor- motion passes.
- HCC will either just post in Huntington and save extra copies for future years, or share the printing costs and put in the Times Ink for both towns.

Special Places Tour

- Decided at April meeting to wait until we determine what we do with tracking event
- Ledge overlooking Village- fall would be ideal time when there is little foliage
- Summer is a busy time of year to try and organize a tour, so it is better to wait until the fall.
- 'Host Your Neighbor Invasives' event will be in the fall as well
- JB- look into costs of motion cameras

Gillette Pond

- Roman shared Op Ed in NY Times from May 7th about dam removal
- Margaret has not heard any updates from FoGP
- HCC will try to stay informed with any progress

Membership

- Update from Energy Committee- Ross Oglevie stepped forward to be a chair, and others have expressed interest in making the Energy Committee a more active one.
- Makes sense for HCC to let Energy Committee know we're interested in collaborating
- Ideal to have seven member in HCC, currently have four

Roman motions to end meeting, JB seconds, all in favor; motion passes

Next Steps

- Margaret- get electric versions of the maps and explore printing smaller size (11 X 14)
- JB- Talk to Linda Pecor about opportunities to hang maps in Beaudry's
- Roman- reach out to Ernie in Richmond to see if they want to share a portion of the cost for the poison parsnip flyer.
- Margaret- find out June deadline for Times Ink
- Margaret- find out how much laminated invasives flyer cost
- Margaret- talk to Cindy about invasives event
- Roman- email Mark Wisnowski to see if he might be interested

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