

**MONTPELIER CONSERVATION COMMISSION  
MONTPELIER, VERMONT**

Agenda for Conservation Commission Monthly Public Meeting

Montpelier City Hall, Memorial Room

Thursday, February 14, 2019

7:00 P.M.

7:00 – 7:05: Meeting Called to Order **7:05**  
**mike, charlie john, jasper, paige, brenna, present**

**discussion about open positions-ask Jamie/james  
retention policy? some members are still officially on but have not come to a meeting in a while--discuss  
when james is here--agenda item**

Review and Approve Agenda

Public Comment (Comments from the public on any matters not already listed on the agenda)

**Alec from parks**

**1.how this commission and parks can collab  
try and find some ways to work together  
have a presence at Parkapalooza, mini festival in HP 1x a month  
kids tent-volunteers**

**MCC want to take on programming-June? 120th anniversary theme, July , August, September-brenna,  
charlie, jasper, cheryl,  
diff activities for different  
Commit to ONE at least**

**1x a month trail work day-need point person at least 2 sessions**

**2.field naturalist**

**NBNC is going to run master naturalist program  
parks doesnt have a developed idea yet  
NBNC will fund it**

**MCC should have a solid idea for 20 hr project-totally broad  
-wetland inventory  
-ecological inventory of smaller park parcels  
-inaturalist  
-stormwater/rain garden  
-natural resources inventory of interesting plots  
-fen at spillway at Wrightsville**

**we had goals to do an outreach program about pollinators**

**HP is trying to revitalize nature trail in the park, so MN can develop interpretive**

- trying to find largest/most important ash trees to use pesticides (tree board)
- someone on the commission needs to commit to managing the project
- could commit as a group

sean needs project ideas ASAP  
michael and alec, and charlie can brainstorm ideas  
alec and eco americorps can support, MCC can hover

Series of naturalist led hikes!  
city parks-ALL the parks

SUBmit ideas to michael, michael and charlie and alec, some back and pick ideas at next meeting

Going to vote on allocating budget for MN program next meeting

**3. geoff retiring- july 1**

**parks commission wants to honor his service**

always wanted to have flexible conservation fund to buy land and conservation easements-lofty goal  
name a trail after him  
Geoff's trees-ash trees

7:05 – 8:00: Review proposals for potential master naturalist projects and choose top ones to bring to Sean at NBNC

Officially decide if the MCC will be participating in the master naturalist program  
Options include: project and funding, or potentially only funding  
Project may be collaboration with Parks Department

8:00 – 8:30: Discuss priorities for coming months, see strategic planning spreadsheet  
What we've done vs haven't done:

brenna can announce mtgs on FPF

land development projects review-never happened but very important  
mtg with mike fell through,

conservation fund-katie, paige and brenna will meet to discuss vision and get summary to CC and advertise for members

City master plan

john is doing vernal pools and wetland mapping

rain garden-find out if we got funded in march-15k- MHS green team could help out a lot

Farmers market spot-when we have something to talk about- ash trees?

skills matrix of strategic planning document-claim priorities

reserve list for unclaimed

paige will follow up with mike miller and james on land development-advising city council and planning commission

invasive plants-parks is doing a lot with

GO through the strategic planning document and sign up for things you want be involved in

can we get a template from another town's conservation commission-AVCC? Paige will reach out to other town CCs

8:30:           Adjournment

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