

# Charlotte Conservation Commission

## Draft Meeting Minutes – December 8, 2015

In attendance: Roel Boumans, Derk Bergquist, Annie Geratowski, Meg Berlin, Susan Blood, Mary Van Vleck, Linda Radimer, Mel Huff

Guests:

### DECISIONS

#### I. Minutes Approval

The December meeting minutes were approved as drafted.

### DISCUSSION POINTS

#### I. Check in with mapping working group

- The Mapping working group met and discussed GIS map layers and data sources. The group identified potential layers relevant to each of the seven ecological principles.
- Linda presented some key points from the VT Wildlife Action Plan.

#### II. Discussion of long range planning workshop

- Members discussed possibly reviewing and revising the Seven Ecological Principles
- Discussion of using rivers and buffers as wildlife corridors

Proposed agenda:

- 1) Intro to VT natural resources  
Emphasis on ecological principles
- 2) Demo Map Resources  
Break for Food
- 3) Case Studies – What CCs do in VT
- 4) menu of things we could do
- 5) Work/Outreach planning  
1 year to 5 year

#### III. Local Issues

- State DOT informed Town of permit status involving Hwy 7 improvements
- Committee liaison updates  
Park Committee is working on updating management plan.
- Groundwater  
Since 1960s, all wells have to be reported.  
State has maps of wells as well as “water availability”.  
Some advocates are pushing for changes in zoning regs that could affect groundwater impacts and ability of local concerns to provide input.
- Storm Drainage
- Energy Siting

#### IV. iNaturalist

Meeting adjourned

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