

# Charlotte Conservation Commission

Draft Meeting Minutes – Tuesday, November 6, 2016

In attendance: Amos Baehr, Derk Bergquist, Susan Blood, Meg Berlin, Mary Van Vleck, Linda Radimer, Roel Boumans  
Guests: Mel Huff

## DECISIONS

### I. Minutes Approval

--Motion was made to accept October meeting minutes as revised, it was seconded and accepted unanimously.

### II. FY 2018 Budget

--The Town of Charlotte General Ledger Comparative Budget Report for the 2016 and 2017 budget years was reviewed. Various items were briefly discussed for clarity among members.

--Amos asked whether we have the energy for invasive species management. CCC would not necessarily be out doing the work, but rather would need someone to act as a strategic partner with outside groups involved in invasive species management. Mary volunteered to handle this. Maintained funding for “Lewis Creek/Frogbit” at 2017 level of \$2,700 and Charlotte Invasives at \$1000

--Education and Outreach would like to increase from \$600 (2017) to \$750 (2018).

--Corridor mapping also needs a bit more funding to ensure success. \$1000 for four wildlife cameras, prep/processing, and map printing in FY2017.

--No money is needed for data entry.

--An additional \$150 was added for some wildlife crossing signage

--Green-up Day maintained at 2017 levels of \$300

--Conservation alliance maintained at \$50

--Web development reduced to \$200

--Total Budget FY2018 budget request: \$6150

--Special project consideration: Larry Hamilton Tree Calendar project would probably be a separate line, if the project is financially feasible (~\$1500). Partner funders would be needed to complete it.

--Meg Berlin made a motion to submit the budget as written along with a separate request for the calendar; Roel seconded, and the motion passed unanimously.

## DISCUSSION POINTS

### I. Break out into working groups

--Members broke out into three working groups: Recasting ecological principle, Outreach/Education -- Conservation Currents, Confirming corridors

## **Finalize budget request**

Review priorities from long range planning

Consider that this proposal is for operating from July

**2017 until June 2018**

8:30 **Move to adopt budget request**

Meeting adjourned