

GRANVILLE CONSERVATION MEETING MINUTES
(un-approved)
Tuesday, September 13, 2016 @9:30 am
Granville Town Clerk's Office

9:30 am Call to order. Present: Mark Belisle, Jim Dague, Jamie Dague, Megan Bender, Roger Stauss, Marilyn Doughrity

August 9, 2016 GCC meeting minutes approved.

Public Communications and Comment: None

Old Business:

The White River Partnership Resilience Tour hosted by Mary Russ of the WRP took place on August 21, 2016. GCC members attended, adjoining neighbors of the Rte. 100 buyout site and other members of the public.

Jim Dague reported he communicated with Mike Hildenbrand of Dubois and King regarding the Rte. 1 buyout site project contract. Tasks 1 through 4 of the contract probably will not be completed this fall. He also reported that he requested an updated statement from D & K showing a zero balance since the D & K statement balance reflects an overcharge, as well as tasks 1 through 4 not yet being completed.

The East Granville site closing may occur by the end of September. The GCC has no plans for the site, as nothing can be planned until the closing finalized. Discussed possibly using leftover funds from Rte 100 buyout site, if any, should the GCC establish a plan for the East Granville site.

GCC member attendance improved this meeting. Member participation in meetings is needed for quorum requirements.

New Business:

Priorities for project tasks for this fall/next spring and GCC member participation were discussed. Soil to be tested in the community garden and field areas. Research and consult with UVM Extension will help to determine what plantings would work best for hedgerow. Birdhouses to be constructed. Five 8 foot 4x4 pressure treated stakes will be needed for birdhouses and volunteers will be needed to help put in the stakes. Garden area to be tilled in the Spring. Wooden sign design for the west side of the park must be decided, as well as a name for the park. Suggestions for names for the park will be requested via the town website. A boulder will be used for signage for the "Freeman's Launch" side of the park. Benches and two picnic tables are also needed.

Discussed D & K future project participation. Chair to propose to Selectboard that a GCC member take on role of project manager instead of D & K charging for that service.

Jim Dague asked members to bring bullet points to the next meeting in preparation for the annual report.

Next meeting December 13, 2016, 9:30 am at Granville Town Hall.

Roger Stauss motioned to adjourn at 10:55 am. All in favor.

Marilyn Doughrity
Secretary

