



Winooski Natural Resources Conservation District Board of Supervisors Meeting

Meeting Minutes

August 14, 2018
617 Comstock Rd, Berlin, VT

- Tabled review of minutes from June 28 until next board meeting as they have not been typed up yet by Corrina
- Review of FY19 Budget - not available, will be uploaded to drive

Staff Project Updates

- Tree Sale - does it make enough money to justify the program? Yes! One venue (Waterbury Green Mountain Coffee Roasters), smaller selection of order items. Simplify.
- Line of Credit - Do we have collateral to offer? How long would the line of credit last? Ask Corrina for details (Rick will contact)
- Healthcare: Is there an option with the League of Cities and Towns?
- ERP Grants: Ask Corrina what her level of involvement. Who was the contractor? Can the contractor write the proposal?
- Septic Socials - who will be responsible? Lake Carmi, Iroquois, Bomoseen, Davis Pond (?)
- Where are the skidder bridges?

Fundraising Ideas to Increase Cash Flow

- Membership program - Offer discount at tree sale - Corporate Memberships (Logo on FB page and website). Application for taxpayer money?? (Taxpayers can vote on the full suite of requests). Could James contact towns? Town Clerks as contacts.

Planning for Annual Dinner

- 2nd or 3rd week in November (occured in Richmond last year) Partners, NRCS, awards from farm and forest tour
- Motion to skip this year's annual meeting in light of the staff changes by Jeff. Seconded by Russ. Motion was passed

Planning for Fall Farm/Forest Tours

- Jeff motions to not complete farm/forest tours this year and to not grant awards given current circumstances. Seconded by Russ. Motion carried

Strategic Plan

- Create new folder where this document can be housed, along with employee handbooks and other documents

NRCC & NRCS Updates

- Basin Planning Grant in process with all Districts
- NRCS is looking towards changes in the future, approval to fill vacancies, Farm Bill has not been passed yet
- Vicky Drew, state conservationist in Colchester is back

Clean Water Advisory Committee

- Will be attended by Russ and Kristen → District Manager has replaced Russ in attendance.

11:30 Motion to Adjourn by Jeff, seconded by Russ, motion carried