

**TOWN OF WARREN  
CONSERVATION COMMISSION  
MINUTES OF MEETING  
MARCH 15, 2011**

**MEMBERS PRESENT:** George Schenk, Damon Reed, Robin Bennett, Kate Wanner, Robin Bleier, Jim Edgcomb, Margo Wade, and Caitrin Noel.

**OTHERS PRESENT:** Jane Lazorchak, Jens Hilke

**AGENDA:**

- 1) 7:00 PM – (Call to Order)
- 2) Welcome Wagon Kit Planning– (60 minutes)
- 3) Priorities for Conservation – (30 minutes)  
Review final draft of plan and schedule of management activities
- 4) Riverside Park Management Plan – (30 minutes)  
Review and discuss ecological principals analysis.
- 5) Updates – (30 minutes)
  - a. Linkages Study and Funding Possibilities
  - b. Forest, Wildlife and Communities Project
  - c. Other
- 5) Other Business:
  - a. Approve Invoices
  - b. Approve meeting minutes
  - c. Selectboard Check-in
  - d. Items for next meeting
- 6) Adjourn – 10:00 PM

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**I. CALL TO ORDER**

Caitrin called the meeting to order at 7:15 PM.

**II. Welcome Wagon Kit Planning**

Presentation about the Vermont Fish and Wildlife (F&W) program's Welcome Wagon kit landowner outreach effort in the Mad River Valley. The Welcome Wagon packet is offered to new larger-parcel landowners, and serves as a resource for a variety of natural resource and environmental topics that may be of interest to Vermont landowner.

VT F&W is particularly interested in beginning conversations with landowners about Species of Greatest Conservation Need (SGCN) and ways that landowners can steward their land as to protect these species.

A letter was sent to MRV landowners who purchased more than 25 acres within the last five years offering the kit. If a landowner returns the postcard included with the letter, a kit will be delivered to the interested landowner.

**III. Priorities for Conservation**

Will bring maps: Arrowwood, ecological principals, conserved lands/undevelopable lands, base map. Kate will send out some small maps a week before hand.

Keeping Forests for the Future Conference—hosted by VNRC at Lake Morey Inn on April 30th. If you know anyone who will be dealing with estate planning in the near future, should let them know about the conference.

**IV. Riverside Park Management Plan**

**MOTION by Margo and seconded by Rocky to present the final draft Riverside Park Management Plan to the Selectboard at the next meeting.**

Caitrin will e-mail the DRAFT plan to Cindi with a cover letter, and ask Miron to post to web.

**V. Updates**

- a. Linkages Study—send a one-pager to VCF after April 12<sup>th</sup> meeting.
- b. Forest, Wildlife, and Communities Project—website up and coming.

**VI. OTHER BUSINESS**

- a. Approve Invoices
- b. Approve minutes from February: MOTION by Caitrin and seconded by Rocky to approve minutes from February. VOTE: unanimous; motion carried.
- c. Selectboard check in—send budget to SB

**VII. ADJOURNMENT**

**MOTION by Caitrin and seconded by Robin to adjourn the meeting. VOTE: unanimous; motion carried.**

The meeting adjourned at 9:50 pm.

Respectfully submitted,  
*Caitrin Noel*

**Conservation Commission**

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Robin Bennett (date)

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Jim Edgcomb (date)

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Caitrin Noel (date)

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Damon Reed (date)

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George Schenk (date)

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Margo Wade (date)

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Kate Wanner (date)

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Robin Bleier (date)

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