Proctor Beaver Pond Committee Regular Meeting October 18, 2022 – 6:00PM Draft Minutes

Location: Proctor Town Office Meeting Room

Attending: Dale Christie(chairman), Charlotte Firestone, Jim Moore, Ray Beyette

Called to order at 6:10pm

Approved meeting agenda. Ray made motion, Charlotte 2nd

Reviewed 9/20/22 meeting minutes. Approve them unanimously. Charlotte made motion, Ray 2nd

Chairman's report:

Another good year, lost 2 good members (Tim and Carrie), but gained one with Charlotte. I'd like one more member. Invite anyone that comes to mind. Rebecca Bell may attend when she can. Paul Pitcher perhaps? Zoe Nassau?

Seasonal Closing:

Nov. 1st is closing by the ordinance. Tentative work day to clean up set for Nov 5th. Leave or remove the dock boards? Discussed and decided to remove them previously, but discussion left topic undecided. They could be useful in Winter. Will be decided on work day. Dale will discuss with town manager about what the town crew can do to help. Plan for closing day: remove grills, retrieve table at beach, remove dock boards, entrance sign, close gate.

Mortimer Proctor Application:

Swing set discussed and decided it was not a good idea because of state inspection requirements and strict rules about ground construction. Paddleboat discussed again and everyone was in favor. More research to be done for pricing and availability. Dale to discuss idea with town manager for possible town or legal issues. Ray offered his boat for any future use or projects. There may be an application deadline in January for next funding round.

Maintenance and improvements:

Idea for getting a water thermometer for keeping an eye on pond water for data and algae concerns. Brook trout were spotted in the box culvert. Ray suggested a new dock elsewhere on the pond. Discussion decided not to as there are lots of spaces already available and best to keep things simple and less to maintain.

Trails:

Dale working with Jessica for trail signs. If that doesn't work out, the MINT in Rutland may be able to help. Shelley Lutz has been getting signs made there for Pine Hill trails. Dale made more map copies. A heavy use of them has been observed lately.

Rules and ordinances:

Nothing

Other old/new business:

Land where crane was once is owned by OMYA. Do we want to acquire the parcel to protect the majority of the headwaters of the pond? All agreed it would be a good idea. Further discussion in the future.

Next meeting: None set at this time

Motion to adjourn made by Ray and Jim 2nd. Meeting ended at 7:25pm.