**NCC Meeting Minutes 11/14/2017**

Baldwin Library, Wells River

**Call to Order:** The meeting was called to order at 7:05 pm.

**Attendees:** Mike Thomas, Dianne Norton, & Carol Stoll.

**Minutes:** The minutes of 10/10/17 were approved without change.

* ***Financial:*** Mike noted that he will drop funds from the Bike Ride and Fall Paddle at the town hall for the NCC account.
* ***Annual Report*:** Members discussed the annual report that will need to be completed soon and what information should be included.
* ***Tucker Mountain:***  Mike shared a copy of the proposed interim management plan. A brief discussion ensued regarding the plan.
  + Mike noted the plan would be presented to the Selectboard at a meeting on 11/15, which he will plan on attending.
  + Discussion about the role of the management committee for the long-term plan.
* **Advertising & Information Sharing:** The members discussed ways to share information with Newbury residents who still might have some questions or misinformation about the Tucker Mountain purchase. Any costs and funding were also discussed.
  + **Valley News** – Mike is attempting to get information into the Valley News.
  + **Journal Opinion** – Mike asked for space to share facts regarding the Tucker Mountain purchase, since they had already published an article which shared the views of opposition to the purchase. They do not feel able to do another article but suggested NCC instead purchase a two column ad to share information. Members wondered why they wouldn’t want to share both sides so people could make an informed vote.
  + **The Bridge Weekly** – A full page fact sheet will be published in the Bridge Weekly that is coming out this week. Hopefully, many Newbury residents will read and share the information contained there.
    - Members & individuals are sharing the fact sheet with people in town, and it is available on the website.
  + **Informational Meeting** – A few people had wondered if NCC needed to hold another information meeting for residents. The Commission did not feel that another meeting would reach the individuals that still had questions about Tucker Mountain, so that idea was tabled. Again it was hoped that the Bridge Weekly and individual efforts would reach any individuals that might still have questions.
  + **Social Media** - It was noted that the website is up to date with information and that Chelsea has been using other social media (facebook, twitter, Instagram) to get share information.
* ***Meeting of Interest:*** A reminder that there is a meeting in Bradford tomorrow with a presentation by Two Rivers on forest blocks and habitat connectors which other members might be interested in attending.
* ***Grant Writing:*** Carol brought information from Chelsea regarding grants which NCC will look at after the vote, when we can better access the needs for upcoming projects.

**Next Meeting:** December 12th at 7:00 pm at the Baldwin Library in Wells River.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:15.

Respectfully submitted,

Dianne Norton, NCC