JOHNSON CONSERVATION COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES JANUARY 11, 2024

Present: Lois Frey, Sue Lovering, Peter Hammond, Noel Dodge, Dean Locke, Jared

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Absent: Jackie Stanton, Denise Ashman, Aurora River

The December minutes were approved.

Noel added a discussion about the Town Forest Advisory Council.

Sue added a discussion about the VT Conservation Strategy.

TREASURER'S REPORT

There was no account balance available tonight. One payment of \$50 to AVCC for annual dues has been made.

The Selectboard has confirmed that a \$500 allocation will be paid to the JCC reserve fund annually.

CC ANNUAL REPORT

Lois showed us the draft, which we all approved happily. She'll add our newly up-and-running email address and send it for inclusion in the town report.

COMMUNICATION: JCC CONTACT INFO

Kudos to Peter for bringing the email address back to life. He'll be monitoring it daily. It is conservationcommission@townofjohnson.com

MARCH GLADNESS

We will present on three dates: Saturday, March 9, 3/16, and 3/23. We may choose Saturday or Sunday for the last two, depending on space availability.

Noel and Dean will lead a snowshoe hike at Prindle on the 9th at 9:00 am. We'll need two more plans for remaining Gladnesses at the February meeting.

JOURNEY'S END UPDATE

Scott Meyer has agreed to remove the railing on the bridge, stacking the old railing pieces on the side.

AUDUBON COLLECTION

No movement.

TOWN FOREST ADVISORY COUNCIL

Noel tells us that UVM is involved in cataloguing Town Forests and town resources and will develop a survey. Can they help us? Can we help them?

MISC

- Prindle is a deeryard, so can't be logged.
- In a conversation about reaching out to the public for volunteer help, it was agreed that we should have a master list of individuals who could help, that could be sent out periodically. Someone could be a team leader and do the sending. Dean offered to help compile a list.

Adjourned at 8:20 Submitted by Sue Lovering, secretary Next meeting on February 8, 2024 at the temporary Library on Pearl Street