Minutes of

Conservation Commission of Waterville Valley Tuesday May 10,2022 @ 3pm at Town Square meeting room

- 1. Called to order at 3:02
- 2. Roll call: Irit Levy, Chair, John Recine (ex-officio), Jennie Lucas, Becca Hastings, Mark Decoteau, Town Manager, Kristen Taylor (zoom), Steve Royer
- **3.** privilege of the floor none
- 4. Review & approve minutes of April 5
 - a. Updated #6
 - b. Updated 5 b to say the NRI is 3 years old, not 5, so that it does not need to be updated at this time.

5. old business:

- a. signs for our Greenbelt parcel Becca: discussion about logos, and the best way to place it. The group likes the green and blue WV colors with the white tree. Will distribute for further review and comments.
- b. master plan update John Recine reported that they continue to make progress; there is a meeting on Thurs to finalize chapter 4 and chapter 7
 - c. brochure for new homeowners: recommendations for planting native species.
- d. Discussion of the Land Acknowledgment Statement- needs to go to Select Board, then to a public hearing. (it may need to be circulated at Town Meeting). Mark will coordinate once our committee

reviews the 3 land acknowledgment statements from other towns & determines if we need to edit the one we have from NHACC.

Discussion of water rates and our water treatment system.

- e. Rick Van de Poll- meeting with the forest service next week, and the plan is to start assessing the upper water streams for our proposed sediment mitigation.
 - **6.** new business: clarify CC's duties & responsibilities Mark emphasized the importance of understanding how vital it is for the CC to be able to explain to the public how clean our effluent needs to be and why it is the cleanest in the country. We are held to highest standards since the Mad River is under the protection of the National Shoreline Act. This may explain the high cost of our proposed plant.
 - a. What is a conservation commission (comes from NHACC conservation commission association)
 - b. Dylan at the water treatment plant can be invited to come in & speak with us
 - **7.** privilege of the floor- none
 - 8. date of next meeting: June 21
 - 9. Adjourned @ 5:38