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Thetford Conservation Commission Minutes October 11, 2017

Present: Ann Lavanway, Sue Fritz, Steve Lehman, Sue Tallman, Jim McCracken and Bob Pulaski

Absent: Jeff Smith and Libby Chapin

Meeting held in the Town Vault.

The Minutes of September 20 were approved with the following corrections. The charge was \$500 for Sam Jaffe plus \$96 for travel expenses. The conservation commissions of W. Fairlee and Thetford will contribute \$250 each and private donations will cover the remaining amount of \$196.

Jim has contacted the local schools about the Caterpillar program and posted the information on online sites. Volunteers have signed up for the 1-4pm hours and food donations have been offered for attendees.

The education committee has not previewed movies for the winter programs. The last week in January or the first week in February 2018 are possible dates for one evening starting at 5pm to 9pm with a potluck supper. Short films for children and longer films for adults will be shown. The committee will continue the "Year of Secret Lives" theme in 2018.

Garlic mustard is showing growth in 2017 picked areas. The TCC will promote future fall picking to get the second crop which will not need bagging.

Jeff emailed the TCC that he communicated with Ehrhard Frost concerning projects for 2018. Ehrhard was asked to submit his cost estimates for these projects to the TCC by November 1, 2017. Ann will ask Stuart Rogers for Ehrhard Frost's original proposal for the latest logging of the Town Forest. In order to present the SB with a TCC budget for 2018, the TCC board needs these cost figures.

Bob presented the treasurer's report.

Ann asked for suggestions of names to fill the empty seat on the TCC board.

Our next meeting is November 8, 2017. Respectfully submitted, Sue Tallman