

Society for Conservation Biology
Kingston chapter
Meeting Minutes
Start Time- 1:30 pm

Feb 14th, 2012

Social committee

- Social after reading week, potluck at Manisha's house...discuss at meeting after reading week
- Documentary showing, march 1st, before Bill's presentation

Advertising committee

- Photo contest posters need to be put up, obtain stamps from various locations so the posters don't get pulled down (tea room, residences)
- Poster made for movie/documentary night, before reading week

Education & Programs committee

- BIODIVERSITY DAY- Ecoadventure camp, Mark Conboy- biological conservation station- talk about local birds, junior nationalists
- FISH AND FROGS- volunteers have shown interest, Sam has emailed all local schools, possibility of doing a fish and frogs during biodiversity day

Issues committee

- Enbridge's Northern Gateway Pipeline (Highlights from lectures by Dr. Peter hodson and Jonathon Martin)
 - Incentive for Pipeline: access to Chinese market, rapid transport of high volumes of oil, with lower spill likelihood than transport by train or truck
 - Two pipelines that are proposed to ship more than 225 barrels a day
 - Ways in which oil gets into the environment: natural oil seeps, offshore production, refining, oil spills, terrestrial production (our populations use of transport)
 - 6.4-7.3 spills per thousand kilometer of pipeline, Enbridge's rate of spill, which is alarmingly high... Enbridge does not have a very good track record
 - Oil spill effects: contaminating fish (salmon redds) and environment, the act of clean up is also damaging...the effects are long term, oil sinks and therefore leaves residues behind, dangerous for creatures
 - Destructive landslides, minor earthquakes and tsunamis are common in the area that the pipeline is proposed to be built

Photo contest committee

- Kingston photo club along with several other photography clubs have been notified of the photo contest....in the process of making the event publically aware
- Buy poster board to background the display boards for the photo's to stick to with double sided tape

Finances

- As of the meeting (1:30 pm), have already made \$90 from bake sale

End of meeting- 2:21 pm