

Londonderry Conservation Commission  
Thursday February 21, 2019 6:00pm  
Town Office

Approved Minutes

1. Call to order
  - a. 6:11pm
  - b. Irwin Kuperberg, Helen Hamman, Steve Swinburne
  - c. Visitors
    - i. Russell Cumming - Windham Lister & Chester Snowmobile Club
    - ii. Hal Wilkins - Windham Conservation Commission
2. Approval of January Minutes
  - a. Not possible – no quorum
3. Old Business
  - a. UVM Landowner Resources
    - i. We have access to as many booklets as we would like
    - ii. Helen will compile database of 100+ and 50+ acre parcel owners.
  - b. Glebe Mountain Acquisition
    - i. Closing scheduled for February 26<sup>th</sup>.
    - ii. LCC \$5k contribution is pending approval of the Select Board.
    - iii. Snowmobiles permitted, however no ATV's or horses.
4. New Business
  - a. Lowell Lake Plan Update
    - i. Final plan to be presented by FPR in August
    - ii. Irwin gave an update on the activities of the LL working group. A set of questions regarding the Master Plan was submitted in a meeting with Ethan Phelps, FPR Regional Manager.
    - iii. LCC will compile our own response to the plan and other conservation commissions may provide their own responses.
    - iv. Local loon population does not like disturbances during nesting season in May and June.
  - b. Lowell Lake Informational evening
    - i. Suggested speaker Aaron Hurst – Forrester, VT Department of Forest, Parks & Recreation

c. Mountain Bike Trail use at Shamburg Forest

- i. LCC will discuss next meeting.

5. 2019 Events

a. Lowell Lake Informational Evening

- i. Suggested speaker Aaron Hurst – Forrester, VT Department of Forest, Parks & Recreation

b. EAB – March 19 – 6:30pm Neighborhood Connections

- i. Mike Parisio, Forest Health Specialist - VT Department of Forests, Parks & Recreation
- ii. Ginger Nickerson – Forest Pest Education Coordinator
- iii. Location will be Neighborhood Connections
- iv. Advertising
  1. Irwin will write press release & draft poster.
  2. NC Calendar & Email list
  3. Andie send to local news outlets.
  4. Londonderry Newsletter
  5. Send poster to Hal

c. Moose - October 10

- i. Cedrick Alexander - Biologist for VT Department of Fish & Wildlife
- ii. Indoor program
- iii. Proposed location Floodbrook School

d. River Walk & Talk

- i. Proposed ... Saturday April 27<sup>th</sup> 1:00 pm
- ii. Location the Depot
- iii. Open to the public
- iv. Shane Jaquith Watershed Restoration Manager the Nature Conservancy
- v. Would like to focus on River Corridor Protection

e. Nature Walk

- i. Center for Ecostudies
- ii. Proposed location at the Wrights

f. Butterflies

- i. Peggy Farabo – Monarch Expert / CEO VT Woods Studios
- ii. 30 minute presentation discussing threats to assistance
- iii. She may provide milkweed seedlings
- iv. Proposed location the Depot & time mid –late May
- v. Flood Brook – milkweed butterfly Garden.
- vi. Steve will contact Floodbrook

6. Proposal to ban plastic bags

- a. Need more time to discuss

7. Woolly Adelgid Monitoring
  - a. We will again perform monitoring.
  - b. Irwin will distribute survey forms to all members.
  
8. Vernal Pool Monitoring
  - a. Vermont Ecostudies
  - b. Training sessions coming up
  
9. Wildlife sightings
  - a. Carolina wren, turkeys, chickadees, cardinal, flicker, red fox
  
10. Hal Wilkins - Windham Conservation Commission
  - a. Wants to form healthy partnership with LCC
  - b. Mountain bike trails- Not permitted on McGraw land.
    - i. There is an extensive bike trail network around Windham
  - c. 2 hikes scheduled on McGraw Land
  - d. Roadside Invasive Intensive – inviting Windham road crew to encourage not spreading invasive seeds during cutback.
  - e. WCC meets the 3rd Tuesday of the month at Windham Town Offices
  
11. Next meeting TBA
  
12. Meeting adjourned 7:27