

Town of Londonderry
Conservation Commission Agenda
August 20, 2020, 5:00pm
VIA ZOOM MEETING

MINUTES

- 1) Call Meeting to Order at 5:05pm
 - a) In attendance: Steve Swinburne, Irwin, Kuperberg, Jane MacKugler, Sunny Wright, Helen Hamman, Mark Wright

- 2) Additions or Deletions to the Agenda

- 3) Approval of the July 2020 Draft of Minutes
 - a) Sunny approves of the minutes as presented.
 - b) Steve seconds.
 - c) All in favor.

- 4) Old Business
 - a. Loon talk recap
 - i. One baby loon is alive and is flying around the lake, the other was attacked by another adult loon.
 - ii. The Youtube recording of the talk has 146 views.
 - iii. Irwin has arranged for GNAT to air a recording of the talk, they have not been responsive.
 - b. EAB traps, first inspection-results
 - i. Helen & Irwin installed them on Under the Mtn Road in Londonderry.
 - ii. No EAB was detected at our site or anywhere in the state.
 - iii. We cannot confirm that growth has stopped but none was detected.
 - iv. Next inspection is in a few days.
 - c. West River Trail historical signage update
 - i. Mimi Wright of the Londonderry Historical Society is working on an overview map and has identified 4 sites that they would like to focus on (2 farms, 1 cattle crossing, 1 footbridge).
 - ii. Steve work on a preliminary draft of two signs: overview of ecosystem/conservation; farms/history/RR/cattle crossing.
 - d. Future programs- webcasts
 - i. Local hunter, Dylan Little, can host presentation or be panelist in discussion about the importance of hunting in conservation. Irwin will contact Londonderry resident Vt Game Warden Kyle Isherwood 802-722-4600, 802-875-3707.
 - ii. Coyote Presentation, Steve is going to ask Kim.
 - iii. Subnivean Zone Fauna presentation for January. Helen is going to organize it.

- 5) New Business
 - a. Podcast Suggestion
 - i. It could be our monthly sightings.
 - ii. Could be summaries of longer presentations.
 - iii. Jane could contact Mary Holland.
 - iv. We could be the hosts and get interesting people to come and have a conversation with us.
 - v. All members will be communicating in the upcoming weeks to cultivate these ideas.
 - b. Steve will be doing a hybrid (online and in-person, socially-distanced) presentation about writing children's books at 4pm on Tuesday at Neighborhood Connections, all are invited.
 - c. Wild Turkey Brood Survey <https://vtfishandwildlife.com/get-involved/citizen-reporting/wild-turkey-brood-survey>
- 6) Wildlife Sightings
 - a. Coyote, fox, great blue herons, hawks, crows, geese, starlings, grasshoppers, monarch butterflies, opossum, raccoon family, turkeys.
- 7) Adjourn at 6:00pm
 - a. Next meeting will be held on Thursday, September 17 at 5:00pm.

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