

Town of Londonderry
Conservation Commission
January 21, 2021 5:00pm
VIA ZOOM MEETING

Minutes

- 1) Call Meeting to Order
- 2) Additions or Deletions to the Agenda
- 3) Approval of the December 2020 Draft of Minutes
 - a) Helen makes a motion to approve the December Minutes
 - b) Mark seconds
 - c) All in favor
- 4) Old Business
 - a) West River Trail historical signage update
 1. No update
 - b) Future programs- webcasts
 1. Coyote Presentation
 - i. No update
 2. Subnivean Zone presentation
 - i. PR is complete.
 - ii. We will be making a LCC FB page for future PR.
 3. Owl presentation
 - i. We would like to host presentation in person so it is tabled for now.
 4. Mill Pond
 - i. Irwin is working with Marie Caduto to develop a program with a target of April or May
 5. Steve Kirby Miller - Taking photographs of every VT mammal.
 - i. Possibly June
 6. Steve Fascio - Vernal Pools
 - i. Possibly April
 7. Kent McFarland - Lady Beetle Atlas
 - i. July or August
 8. Ruth Stewart - Bird Towns and their History.
 - i. How bird feeders have evolved.
 - ii. Possibly November.
 - c) Budget inquiry Allowing Donations in lieu of honoraria
 1. In response to an inquiry on this the SB stated that public employees are doing this as part of their job and that donations

should be instead retained for LCC's own activities

- ii. Membership renewal for Steve
 - a. Steve's membership runs through this year.
 - b. All member terms are posted on the LCC website.

5) New Business

- a) Conservation Camp Scholarship
 - 1. Helen is going to contact Project Londonderry with the idea.
- b) Conservation Fund budget reduction
 - 1. The SB has reduced the annual Conservation Fund appropriation by \$500
- c) Report on WRC meeting
 - 1. Rockingham commission is working on the Bellows Falls Trail.
 - 2. Westminster is involved with solid waste management.
 - 3. Halifax is involved with solid waste management and recycling.
 - 4. Brattleboro engaged with knotweed removal and renaming their trails to honor indigenous peoples.
- d) Light pollution
 - 1. Does the LCC want to get involved with a state initiative against light pollution?
 - 2. Perhaps we can host an educational presentation.

6) Wildlife Sightings

Beaver, fisher cat, red belly woodpecker, flock of flickers, blue jay, brown creeper,

7) Next Meeting Thursday Feb 18th at 5:00pm