

Town of Londonderry
Conservation Commission
April 8, 2021
Minutes

- 1) Call Meeting to Order
 - A) 5:05
 - B) In attendance Irwin Kuperberg, Helen Hamman, Steve Swinburne, Sunny Wright, Jane MacKugler

- 2) Additions/Deletions to Agenda
 - A) No additions or deletions to the agenda.

- 3) Approval of the March 2021 Draft of Minutes
 - A) Helen makes a motion to approve the minutes
 - B) Steve seconds
 - C) All in favor

- 4) Old Business
 - A) West River Trail historical signage- No current update.
 - B) LCC social media
 - i. Irwin created an LCC Facebook Page. Members and the public are invited to post there.
 - ii. LCC now has a Facebook page, and a Youtube channel.
 - C) Upcoming Webinars
 - i. Vernal Pools
 - a. Steve Faccio of VT Ecostudies, scheduled on April 29th
 - b. 40 minute Powerpoint presentation followed by a Q&A
 - ii. Lady Beetles
 - a. Julia Pupko of VT Ecostudies
 - b. May 27th at 7:00pm
 - c. 45-60 minutes
 - iii. VT Mammal
 - a. Peter Gerber Miller
 - b. October / December
 - c. He hopes to have photographed all VT mammals by then.
 - iv. Bird Count
 - a. Ruth Stewart of the Great Bird Count has a butterfly talk prepared.
 - b. LCC had a Monarch presentation in the past few years.
 - c. Jane is going to be the contact person and ask for a bird presentation instead of butterflies.
 - d. Irwin will check with the Windham Regional CC members for a speaker
 - v. Bald Eagles and other local raptors.
 - a. Nikki Steel of Wilmington, VT
 - b. Eagles are currently thriving in the lower 48 states.
Jane will be the contact for this too.

- 5) New Business
 - A) Webinar report
 - i. Coyotes
 - a. LCC was only given permission to post for 2 weeks.
 - b. 45 attended, but 160 views in 2 weeks on Youtube.
 - B) Windham Regional Conservation Commission meeting
 - i. Meeting will take place on 4/14. Irwin has been asked participate on a panel about Towns with Conservation Budget

- C) West River Testing
 - i. State is cutting back on strategic test sites by limiting tests on Ecoli but continuing testing on non-organic dumping.
 - iii. LCC submitted 3 sites for review and all 3 sites have been approved for additional Ecoli testing.
 - D) Conservation Camp Scholarship Program
 - i. LCC going to contact Flood Brook about CC being promoted/ potential interest.
 - E) Resignation of Kathie Stone
 - i. We have sent a Thank You card and gift book to Kathie.
 - ii. Helen proposed a candidate, and we will invite him to our next meeting.
 - F) Light pollution
 - i. Our discussion was about how to address this, with the suggestion that education might be the best approach. Then, the impact on bird migration came up.
 - G) Prouty land bluebird nesting boxes
 - i. Steve volunteered to clean them out a few weeks ago.
 - ii. He did three and documented, before and after.
- 6) Wildlife Sightings
- A) Bald Eagle, Common Merganser, Fox Sparrow, Golden Crown Kinglet, Brown Creeper, Eastern Phoebe, Moose, Cardinal, Turkey Vultures, Pileated Woodpecker, Woodcock, Ring Necked Duck, Mallards, Geese, Deer,
- 7) Next Meeting
- A) Next month's meeting will be on Thursday, May 20th.
 - B) Meeting adjourned at 6:04pm.