

Town of Londonderry, Vermont  
Conservation Commission

**DRAFT OF MINUTES**  
Thursday, May 26, 2022, 5PM

Present: Helen Hamman, Gary Hedman, Irwin Kuperberg, Jane MacKugler, Stephen Swinburne, Mark Wright, Sunny Wright

- 1) The meeting was called to order at 5:15pm
- 2) The following deletions was made to the agenda: West River Trail Signage
- 3) The May 5, 2022 draft of Minutes was approved by unanimous vote after a motion by Helen which was approved by Sunny
- 4) Old Business
  - a. Dam –The Selectboard is convening a committee to address all the issues that have been raised. Gary will volunteer to be on the committee. Gary will conduct a water temperature study at different points along the river, above and below the dam.
  - b. Bee the Change program- We met with Patrick to review the 3 potential sites. The Transfer Station site is a capped landfill and must be mowed so it was eliminated. The Genser property was a good option. The back field on the Prouty Land was ruled out because of extensive woody growth but the section along the road presented the best overall option. Bee the Change could include footpaths and the opportunity for benches.  
Sunny made a motion, seconded by Jane to recommend the Prouty Land as the site for the pollinator planting and this was approved by unanimous vote. We will present this decision to the Selectboard for final approval. We can use the sign created for the West River Trail signage project since the project is stalled.
  - c. One Londonderry Trail Project - At the May 23 Selectboard meeting Irwin updated the Selectboard and announced that there would be a site visit for all the stakeholders. Suggested site visit times are Thursday 6/16 at 5:30 or Sat 6/18 a 9am.
  - d. Forest Management Plans for Town Properties.- We will seek a consultant forester
  - e. Events
    - i. Pollinators—Will now be on June 9 at 7pm via zoom.
    - ii. Wetlands - Rebecca Chalmers agreed to do the talk in the fall. October 6 is the suggested date and Irwin will confirm with her.
- 5) New Business
  - a. Applicant for Administrative Assistant Position- We have received an application for the position and will contact her for an interview as soon as possible.
  - b. Reappointment of LCC members
    - i. At the May 23 Selectboard meeting Irwin and Sunny were reappointed to the Conservation Commission. The Board also corrected last year's reappointments

for Steve and Gary by extending them to May 31, 2025. The previous appointments were mistakenly made for 3-year terms on 5/24/2021 and 8/30/2021, respectively.

c. Review of LCC roles and responsibilities - tabled

6) Wildlife Sightings

Fox, woodchuck, deer, porcupine, loons, bear, American toad, great horned owl, painted and snapper turtles, green winged teal, Canada goose, brown trout, immature bald eagle, warblers, hummingbirds, coyote, tom turkey, sandhill crane

Next meeting Thursday, June 23