

**Town of Londonderry
Conservation Commission**

DRAFT MINUTES

Thursday, January 18, 2024

Present: Helen Hamman, Gary Hedman (remotely by phone), Irwin Kuperberg, Jane MacKugler, Steven Swinburne, Mark Wright, Sunny Wright

1. The meeting was called to order at 5:15pm
2. There were no additions or deletions to the agenda
3. Steve made a motion to approve the October draft minutes, which was seconded by Jane. The motion was approved by unanimous vote.
4. Old Business
 - a. Natural resources inventory-It was agreed that this is a major project which requires more time so discussion was tabled for now. Irwin reminded everyone that he had a report on one done in Guilford which included the resources they used. Helen asked that it be circulated in advanced of the next meeting.
 - b. Williams Dam-The Committee asked the Select Board for an extension on the deadline for their charge
 - c. Pollinator Garden- We will be ordering and installing the sign in the spring
 - d. Wastewater Project-There was a presentation on the public design report, with good attendance and dialog. The Custer Sharp Property does not hold good promise at this time for the North Village. The Prouty Land appears to have good capacity for the South Village in the upper field. Though it might initially impact the Pollinator Garden, the effluent field will ultimately be compatible with a pollinator garden.
 - e. Events
 - i. Suggested: An Owl Prowl, Foxes
 - ii. Three Part Series Winter Series
 1. Dates: Feb 8 with a snow date of February 13, March14, April 11
 2. Topics: River Dynamics and River Corridor Protections, Beavers-friend or foe?, History of Agriculture in Vermont
 3. Speakers: Shayne Jacquith and Sarah Noyes from the The Nature Conservancy on Rivers, Roger Albee, former Vt Secretary of Agriculture on Agriculture, Tyler Brown from VT Dept of Fish & Wildlife on Beavers
5. New Business- there was no new business at this time
6. Wildlife sightings- Piliated woodpecker, red tailed hawk, tufted titmouse, blue jays, brown creeper, turkeys, fox, downy woodpecker, hairy woodpecker, cardinals

Next meeting is February 15