

WALLINGFORD CONSERVATION COMMISSION
APPROVED MINUTES FROM MAY 23, 2022

Call to order, roll call and guest introductions 6:30

Members present: Dennis Duhaime, Ralph Nimtz, Jane Quigley, Debbie Scranton, Tom Fort, Rodney Ward, Carol Macleod. No guests.

Approved minutes of April 25, 2022 6:30

Green Up Day 6:32

Well attended. Elementary School participation was greatly increased. For next year find out what areas they go to. Provide Tax Maps next year. 8 tires added to Green Up Count.

Stone Meadow Park 6:35

AVCC Tiny Grant – no word received

Bike path update – discussion moved to June 27

Workday – Thursday, 6/2/22 at 10 am. Morgan will put up her signs at Stone Meadow on Outer Limits.

Elfin Lake Erosion Grant (WUV) – Tom, Debbie and Carol will meet with Sandi to work on grant which is due May 27, 2022.

Jump removal and downed tree – No work has been done

Budget 6:45

\$142 left in budget thru June (includes \$100 donation). \$3681 in CD.

New Business/Old Business – none

WCC Planning – Brain Storming. Suggestions listed below. 6:48

1. Instead of driving to town, walk into town for small errands to conserve fuel.

2. Partner with Planning Commission on: Comprehensive Plan (e.g. Electric

Charging stations). Natural Resource Map. Proposed land use map.

3. Check other areas of Town to conserve.
4. Partner with National Park Service i.e. White Rocks Rec. additional land acquired off Hartsboro Rd.
5. Partner with Transfer Station on potential improvement in recycling, re-use, composting, etc.
6. Expand biking to North Side of Beach Road.
7. Improve recycling of Stone Meadow trash.
8. More native wild flowers in meadow.
9. River clean-up.
10. Create river walk/path
11. Mushroom walk with local expert – also Tree ID
12. To stimulate fascination with our natural world – seeing the night sky through telescopes of local group.
13. Identify new land conservation opportunities (eg. Land for sale)
14. Public informational demonstrations – like “how to eliminate common invasive plants at Stone Meadow or Rec field.
15. Stone Meadow: more education on plants, birds and natural features at Stone Meadow. Be involved in promoting composting, recycling, etc. Attacking invasives on public land and encouraging private efforts.
16. Create bird/small animal habitat.
17. Besides sledding at Cabin Fever Fun Day, some other group festive games/events.
18. Town Seminars on electric/oil/propane conservation.

19. Partner with Energy Commission on decreasing Town carbon footprint.
20. Canoe Trail on Otter Creek (eg. Destinations). Points of Interest.
21. Morgan's idea of Sculpture in the Meadow.
22. Group walk in winter with Nature Biologist.
22. Lead a group/family walk through Stone Meadow -pointing out trees, etc. ending with a hot dog BBQ.

Adjourn

7:45