

# STRAFFORD CONSERVATION COMMISSION

JULY 11, 2022

## MINUTES

PRESENT: Scott Young, Kerry Omand, Sue Barnes, Randy Jacunski, Michael Ferber, Dave Perkins, Liz Evans, Mimi Jost

The meeting was called to order at 7:06 pm by Scott Young. A motion was made and seconded to accept the May minutes. The motion passed

GUEST PRESENTATION: None

### OLD BUSINESS:

- IRCR
  - o Scott reported that he had done some string trimming along the Cow Path which needs frequent cutting. There was discussion about which trails were overgrown and whether or not they needed attention at this point.
  - o Bog bridge repair: Dave said he has some building materials left over from when they built the bog bridge but needs a few more items.
- Town Forest
  - o Scott said the EAB research group has started a new round of injections and they said the ash trees that have been treated are leafing out nicely. The treatments appear to be working.
  - o Scott also joined Greg Jordan and a group of Strafford School 5<sup>th</sup> graders on a mini-biothon in the Town Forest in June
- Pregent conservation easement: Bear-Paw completed the conservation easement on Gerald Pregent's land off of Ridge Rd. A motion was made and seconded to approve payment of \$9,200.00 for survey costs to Bear-Paw. Motion passed.

### NATURE NOTES:

Much discussion ranging from deer browsing negatively affecting the understory on Parker Mt. to the twig girdler causing small oak branches to fall off trees and litter people's yards, and the dearth of red efts, bats and fireflies this summer. Lots of milkweed around and a request to share seeds this fall for those who would like to plant more.

### NEXT MEETING:

Monday, August 1, Town Hall

Recorded by,  
Mimi Jost