STRAFFORD CONSERVATION COMMISSION

January 9, 2023

MINUTES

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

The meeting was called to order by Scott Young at 7:08 pm. Mimi made a motion to accept the amended December minutes and Michael seconded. The motion passed.

GUEST PRESENTATION:

OLD BUSINESS:

IRCR:

- Discussion about the vandalism at the IRCR kiosk. Mimi submitted a complaint form to the Police Department. Has informed other organizations/groups of the incident- White racist promotional stickers.
- Other organizations have reported similar acts at their conservation kiosks-Barrington, NH Audubon
- Discussion about potential maintenance activities for next year-condition of benches at IRCR?

Town Forest

• Spencer Smith waterbars have been raked by Randy

Other

- Trail map signage has been designed and ordered.
- Initiated discussion of 2023 budget proposal. More research is needed.
- Cons Com 2023 annual report reviewed and discussed.
- Bear Paw impending personnel changes: Rue Teel impending departure, Katrina Amaral leaving mid-year.
- Membership re ups for 2023-Michael, Sue, and Dave.
- o Discussed avenues for advertising the need for new conservation commission members

NATURE NOTES:

Cheryl M.-update on Bow Lake wildlife sightings (grey fox and an abundance of eagles). Also the dearth of birds at feeders with the exception of Mimi's place.

NEXT MEETING: Monday, February 6th, 7 pm Town Hall

Site Walk: Lake Shore Drive January 16th at 9 am

Recorded by, Scott Young