

Strafford Conservation Commission
Minutes
May 7, 2018

Present: Liz Evans Carolyn Page Randy Jacunski Kerry Omand Susan Barnes
Katrina Amaral Bruce Smith

Guests: none

Opening and Introductions

The meeting was opened at 7:04 pm. A motion was made by Susan and seconded by Kerry to accept the April 2018 **minutes**. Approved.

DES Applications none

Continuing Business

IRCR Some major fallen trees were removed from Pig Lane by the snowmobile club. One still needs to be cleared from the walking trail. Randy will see to that. Oriental bittersweet needs to be removed from around Lorraine's tree and the fruit trees. We will try to accomplish this the same day we do the garlic mustard pull, May 23.

Most of us have read the Forest Management Plan for the Dupee Lot. It's a very thorough document completed by Charlie Moreno.

Evans Mountain We are waiting for Dan Kern's approval for trail reroute.

Town Forest Scott and Mimi cleaned the waterbars and did a road clean-up between the upper and middle parking area. Sounded like disgusting work. Thanks to the two of you. While working they discovered an unsanctioned side trail and firepits that are in use again.

Work needing to be accomplished includes reblazing and doing some upkeep on the Link Trail, reposting the no horseback riding signs, cleaning out the cemetery and area around the Town Forest sign. We will consider a work date after black fly season.

Other. Katrina restated her ideas for a conservation/education box. Randy brought in a box of things he had collected including a moose antler and a shell from a large snapping turtle. We will be on the lookout for other natural things students will be able to handle and discuss. Katrina will see if the library would be willing to house the box(es) so they would be accessible to all students. Other objects that we should be on the lookout for include tree bark and cookies, snake skins, beaver gnawed sticks, books on animal tracks, etc.

Bruce will contact Bob Edmonds to find out if the teaching lesson plans for the IRCR have been completed.

New Business none

Next Meeting: Monday, June 4 7:00 pm. Town Hall

Respectfully submitted,

Carolyn Enz Page