

Agenda Nelson Conservation Commission

DRAFT MINUTES

July 24, 2023

Call to Order 7:14 PM

Present: Janet Yardley, chair, minutes; Dave Birchenough; Nina Iselin; Kathleen Vetter; Tom Newcomb, alternate; Brenna Kucinski, Select Board Liaison

Approval of Minutes May 22 Motion to accept by Janet Yardley, second by Kathleen Vetter, approved 4/0

Review of Minutes April 17 noted need to record all votes indicating number for and against

Conservation Moments Loons with 2 chicks on Nubanusit and 2 chicks on Spoonwood; 2 eagle chicks on Granite Lake; Indigo Bunting heard by Kathleen; Fox cub seen by Nina; Bears in many places

Partridge Woods

New signs 27 highest priority signs done, samples brought to meeting and process discussed, 3 already installed near Dunn's house

Kiosk Maps Finished and laminated, brought to meeting. Will make plan to install them. Dave to keep the little map for the top of Osgood until map table constructed. Invoice for printing maps from Steve Lamond is pending. Motion by Janet Yardley to reimburse David Birchenough \$42.00 for lamination of kiosk maps. Second Nina Iselin. Approved 4/0. To be paid from the LUCT fund.

Erosion and water bars on Ethan's way photos from Rick Church shared of erosion on Ethan's Way. Rick and trails committee working with John Bunce to do the repairs. Will likely need at least 2 new culverts estimated to cost \$300 each. Will entertain motion for reimbursement once scope of project determined.

Lake Host Program Support

Current understanding is that Silver Lake got funding from Harrisville

Motion to authorize expenditure of monies from the Milfoil Trust Fund to support Lake Host Programs at Granite Lake, up to \$2500.00 and Nubanusit Lake \$2000.00. Money to be paid directly to NH Lakes invoices to be delivered to Edie Drinkwater. Motion by Janet Yardley, Seconded by Dave Birchenough, Approved 4/0

Tom to check with the Lake Host Coordinators on Granite lake on the exact amount of the request and to get the invoice to Edie Drinkwater.

Invasive Species Talk 7/26/23

Doug to arrive at 6:30 With projector

Max to arrive at 6:00 with Microphone

Janet to arrive before 6 to collect card table from library and Kris will unlock the Town Hall Meeting. Brenna will be there early to help. Chairs to be set up by those who come early.

Janet has been trained on use of library projector and has projector as a back up. Janet to return to library on 7/27/23

Possible walk around village after the talk. To be led by Kathy Schillemat after the talk to visit several properties with owner permission to identify native and invasive species and discuss remediation options.

We have 50 copies of the Harrisville CC booklet on invasive species to give out at the presentation. Any left over will be given out at Old Home Day.

Center Pond Paddle 7/20/2023

Co-sponsored with Harris Center, about 11 participants. Feedback from Brett Thelan that it was a successful outing.

Old Home Day

No specific plans by NCC, Library hosting program on estuaries, will distribute any left over booklets on Invasive Species

New Business

Erosion and siltation of Granite Lake Presentation

Tom Newcomb described severe siltation at Granite Lake with the recent storms and flood. Long standing issues with NH DOT about inadequate water and erosion control on the new Rte 9. Resources discussed and Tom will continue to pursue and keep the commission apprised of developments.

Kathleen tendered her resignation from the NCC effective 9/19/23 due to personal reasons. Accepted with offers of support for her decision to take care of herself.

Motion by Kathleen Vetter to elect Janet Yardley as chair for the present year. Seconded by Nina Iselin. Approved 4/0.

Next Meeting August 21 7:00 PM Downstairs Library

Motion to adjourn at 8:54PM by Dave Birchenough seconded by Janet Yardley Approved 4/0