

Draft Minutes NCC Feb 5, 2024

Nelson Conservation Commission Meeting

Monday, February 5, 2024 6:00 pm Lower Level Library

Minute Taker Janet Yardley

Present Janet Yardley, chair; Tom Newcombe; Margy Iselin; Nina Iselin; David Birchenough; Brenna Kucinski, Selectboard liaison

Meeting Called to order at 6:02PM

Motion to have Tom Newcombe substitute for the open seat at tonight's meeting by Janet Yardley, second Margy Iselin, Approved 3/0/1 abstention

Approval of Meeting minutes January 8, 2024

Motion by Janet Yardley to approve minutes of 12/8/2024 as written, seconded by Margy Iselin, Approved 3/0/2 abstentions.

Conservation Moments

Iced Trees at higher elevations since last ice storm (Hurd Hill, City Hill area) Late ice in of about 1/27/24 on Granite Lake. Very few ice fishers on either Nubanusit or Granite Lake

Partridge Woods:

No updates

The Story of Plastic Debrief

Program on Feb 1 had 25 people. Watched about half of the Story of Plastic documentary and then discussion. Recycling plastic is largely a myth. Pollution is world side with severe pollution in many third world countries. Discussion after the film included NH statehouse bills to make extended producer responsibility to get plastic producers to fund the disposal of non-recyclable plastic; to have restaurants only give plastic utensils and straws to those who request them; the few forms of plastic that are recyclable; the limited number of times that plastic can get recycled; dissolvable laundry sheets rather than buying liquid detergent in plastic jugs.

NCC tonight discussed possibility of a transfer station in Nelson/partnering with neighboring towns to share transfer station functions

Update Granite Lake Watershed Work Group

Work Group will include Derek Walton, Tom Newcombe, Damian Lagiere of GLA; Dave Birchenough of NCC; Kathy Schillemat. Jeff Jones is leaving the Stoddard CC to move to Acworth. It is unclear what form the Stoddard CC will have. May try to include Joe Curtin and/or someone from DOT

Google Drive update

Dave Birchenough has been meeting with Anne McBride about setting up the Google Drive and getting documents added to it. Will also need some type of user guide of how to use the drive.

Town Caucus February13

Brenna Kucinski stated that there are no changes to the NCC budget or the Milfoil warrant article.

She expects the most discussion will center on the Police position becoming Full time and not partnering with any neighboring town; Solar projects; Generator and/or battery back up for library/town hall/town office

Old Home Day will be August 10. Old Home Day committee requests our plans for the day. We will have a table on the common on 8/10. Discussed possible Invasive Species Walk around the village either on 8/10 or another day that week. Will explore other interactive activities.

GLA Annual Meeting will be held Saturday, 7/20/24 with Guest Speaker Amy Smagula State Biologist overseeing VLAP and invasive aquatic species programs.

Next Meeting: Monday, March 4, 2024 6:00 pm

Motion to Adjourn by Janet Yardley seconded by Margy and Nina Iselin Approved 5/0