

# Enfield Conservation Commission

September 6, 2018

Members Present: Shirley Green, Jerold Theis, Dolores Struckhoff, and Jay Welenc

Others: No Recording Secretary

## Administrative-

In Alan's absence, Jay called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm.

## Approval of Minutes-

Minutes were reviewed with corrections. With Shirley absent from the last meeting, there was not a voting quorum to approve them. Jay will make corrections and submit for approval at the next meeting.

## Business-

- A. Jay presented handouts for today's agenda.
  - a. The state Chestnut Challenge
  - b. The lot 9 report.
  - c. Shaker Mountain Evasive Spraying.
  - d. Letter of support for the walkway grant.
- B. A town representative scheduled to speak about the Lakeside Park did not attend.
- C. Jay talked about the Wildlife Management presentation he did at the August Farmers Market.
  - a. Attendance was low, but a significant group of people stopped by to chat. Some had land in Critical Wildlife habitats- i.e. Mud Pond Road. Some teachers stopped by that were advocates for this and might be willing to bring this to the classroom. Some people were drawn in by the map. Once land owners land was pointed out on the map, many became engaged and interested in finding out more.
  - b. Jeri mentioned easements that are available through the Upper Valley Land Trust.
  - c. Other ideas: Put the maps on our Website. Put a contact number or email address on the Website.
  - d. Use the maps for events to promote the website.
  - e. Jay is planning on meeting with Ryan or Alisa about places we can display the maps.
  - f. A submittal form is needed for people to fill out when they have a siting.
- D. Town Flower- Only Jeri and Dolores brought suggestions.
  - a. Jerold
    - i. Fragrant Water Lily
    - ii. New England Aster
    - iii. Black Eyed Susan
    - iv. Rough Fruited Cinquefoil
    - v. Swamp Marsh Buttercup
    - vi. Queen Anne's Lace
    - vii. Panicked Aster
    - viii. Bonnytiped Fleabane
    - ix. Purple Trillium
    - x. Trout Lily
    - xi. New England Goldenrod.

- b. Dolores'
  - i. Bloodroot
  - ii. Valerian
  - iii. Rosa Woodsli ( woods rose)
- c. Bring your selections to the next meeting. Remember the criteria- historical value, length of bloom, medicinal value, lives in Enfield, supports wildlife, popularity, significance, and how common it is.
- E. Lot 9 tour. The report was reviewed. These questions were asked- When is the plan being developed and what are the next steps. There will be further discussion at the next meeting.
- F. Shaker Mountain Spraying Information on our Website-
  - a. Jerold spoke about our responsibility for what is posted on the Website.
  - b. He said that there wasn't a plan for outcome data on this process.
  - c. The group would like to see a plan for this.
  - d. The group felt that a posting of this nature should be voted on by our group.
- G. The Bike Plan Grant was reviewed.
  - a. Jerold felt that this plan came too late to us to review.
  - b. There was a general discussion about planning information getting to us late and how can we improve communications with other committees. This discussion should be continued at the next meeting.
  - c. Jay made a motion for the Conservation Commission to approve the plan and submit Alan's letter of approval. The vote was for "no" 3 to 1.

#### New Business-

No new business

The meeting adjourned at 8:10 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Jay Welenc