

Greenfield Conservation Commission

Meeting Minutes

Recorded by Janice Pack

September 26, 2018

Attendees: Roger Lessard, Karen Day, Carol Irvin, Candi Fowler, Kate Dean

The meeting was called to order at 7:36 pm by Chairperson Roger Lessard. It was noted that Carol will not be here for the October meeting. The following items were addressed:

Accept or Amend Previous Meeting Minutes – Roger asked if the minutes had been reviewed. Hearing no errors, additions or omission, the minutes were accepted as written.

It was noted that Kate has not yet been sworn in as a Member. Roger sent an email to the Town Administrator on August 23rd regarding Kate's desire to join the GCC; he will send a second notice.

NRI Review Status – Roger said there wasn't anything new on the NRI.

Dunklee Hill Road Status Update – A layer of crushed stone has been delivered; apparently the truck that was supposed to deliver the steel plate was not available. The wetlands permit application has been signed. Roger said the water was pretty high. When they began to dig out the culvert, they found it was partially collapsed. Karen said the beavers have continued to be busy.

October 11th Butterfly Program – Roger asked Candi if she needed any help with this. Candi said that she's been working with Beverly on this project, and Ray has been helping, too. Candi feels it is too late to have live butterflies up here; she is looking for caterpillars.

She noted some items that have been added to the website. She's added a spot called "Sightings" and an audio clip of the whip-poor-will that was hanging out at her house.

The coyote program is on November 11th at 7:00 PM at the Library; Candi is subsidizing half of this. She noted that we have an active pack in Greenfield. Karen asked if Candi could do a more descriptive overview of the program for the media.

Roger asked Karen to put the link to the Facebook page in The Spirit.

There was a discussion about the NHACC annual conference to be held November 3rd. Roger asked if anyone would like to go. Candi will go on their website for further information. Registration is \$65 before October 19th.

Pollinator project update - Roger asked how late in the year we can transplant the Black Eyed Susans. It was thought that it was not too late. Roger also wanted to talk to the DOT guys who do the mowing so he could direct them where not to mow.

Cilley Family Forest Picnic – Roger said last year it was not well attended. Dates were discussed and ideas on how to celebrate. Candi discussed a campfire with marshmallows and Kate suggested a “Come as your favorite Pollinator” costume. Sunday October 21st was mentioned. It was decided that it may be too late to plan something this year.

2019 Budget- The GCC reviewed the budget to date and discussed the budget for 2019. Roger said that we need to increase our Programs line, and all agreed. All other lines will remain the same except for Education & Conventions and RSA which will decrease.

There was much discussion on whether or not the Roadside Round Up would be held next Spring, and how the program might be changed to make it better and increase participation. One idea was not to mail the trash bags, but to have people pick them up at various locations.

Other Business:

There being none, Roger made a motion to adjourn; Carol seconded. All were in favor. The meeting adjourned at 8:57 pm.

The next regular meeting of the Greenfield Conservation Commission will be October 24, 2018 at 7:30 pm.

Minutes respectfully submitted by Janice Pack to Roger Lessard for approval, corrections, distribution, and posting.