

Greenfield Conservation Commission

Meeting Minutes

April 26, 2023

Recorded by Michelle Hall

Members Attending: Karen Day, Kate Dean, David Hall, Kristine Hall, Brenda Gollihue, Tom Bregani

7:00 pm Karen called the meeting to order.

Accept or Amend Previous Meeting Minutes

David motioned to accept both January and March 2023 meeting minutes. Seconded by Kristine. Motion passed, all were in favor.

Old Business:

1. Final Roadside Roundup Plans to go over:

The GCC confirmed that Candi will bring the pop-up canopy, cookie and muffins. Tom will bring an easel to display framed pictures, however he will not bring if rain is predicted. Brenda has created a box for residents to submit their tickets for the raffle. She was also able to collect many gift cards and gift certificates from local businesses to raffle off. Dave, Kristine and Candi will do the 10:30-1pm shift. Brenda and Tom will do the 1-3pm shift and will also be conducting the drawing for the raffle winners.

2. Ongoing Pollinator Garden Project:

The GCC discussed laying straw to mulch the garden on 5/4/23 at 2pm with a tentative zinnia planting date of 5/19/23. Karen will look into getting the straw from Blueseal. Ray Cilley had previously said he will allow the GCC to use the water at the Blacksmith shop but they would need to provide their own hose. Roger Lessard had acquired some hoses and a reel from the transfer station, though the condition is unknown, and offered them to GCC. The GCC discussed possibly purchasing their own hoses and reels to use in other planting locations too. Additionally, the GCC discussed the possibility of planting in front and on the sides of the fire station once the sign construction has been completed.

New Business:

1. Forest Committee Representatives needed (2) - infrequent meetings at Town Office

Karen explained that the Forest Committee need a couple members from the GCC. The committee meets when they have an issue to discuss. This will stay on the agenda for a while. Tabled to a later meeting. Karla Allen, Town Forester, will be attending the next GCC meeting.

2. Rivers Committee (cnbrlac.org) Representative needed (1) - 3rd Monday monthly meeting at Monadnock Paper Mill

Kate is no longer available to take this task on. The Rivers Committee is an advisory committee. Brenda is able to take the position on however is not able to attend the next meeting.

3. Possible Blacksmith Parking Lot Clean up –

If anyone is interested, the GCC could begin to clean this up. David believes that this wouldn't be something that the GCC should tackle due to the possible chemical hazards. Tom will begin a draft letter to the Selectboard advising them of the hazardous materials and suggesting that professional services may be needed to remove them.

4. Article for the Spirit – Deadline coming up –

Karen suggested that Brenda and David work together to write an article for the Spirit. Tom had sent an article that he had previously written to Karen and asked if a version of this article would be good for the Spirit. Karen thought that would be great. Tom said that he would rework the article for the Spirit. The GCC members agreed that it would be best for each of them to take photos during events.

5. Programs for the year –

Karen explained that she would like to see a program coordinator. This person would search for programs that the GCC could have in conjunction with the library, possibly even on a bi-monthly basis. David said that this is something that he is interested in.

6. Our Own Website – **Tabled until a later meeting.**

- Content
- Natural Resource Inventory (NRI)
- Administrator

7. Beginning Trails Project – **Tabled until a later meeting.**

- Possible software needed
- GPS mapping
- Graphic design

8:50 pm Dave motioned to adjourn. Seconded by Karen. Motion passed – all were in favor.