

Woodstock Conservation Commission

Meeting Minutes

August 27, 2018, 7:00 p.m.

Town Hall Meeting Room A

Members present L. Davidson, G. Jacobson, J. Pillo, A. J. Purcell, M. Robie, J. Stern & L. Wesler

Members absent - C. Adams & J. Audette

1. Meeting called to order at 7:03p.m.

2. Seating of alternates – None

3. Public participation – Roy & Debra Morin, Bonnie & Gary Regis, Carlos & Monique Maldonado

4. Approval/Amendment of minutes - A.J. Purcell approved, L. Davison seconded, all in favor.

5. Chairperson's Report – No report.

6. Treasurer's Report – \$914 in budget, \$192.40 in Special Fund. G. Jacobson reminded us that a letter needs to go to the Selectmen for reimbursement of \$2,000 out of our Special Fund when the FMP was originally commissioned. G. Jacobson will check up on payment of CACIWC dues with T. LaJoie.

7. Communications – Nothing

8. Old Business:

a. DRC Report – No report.

b. OSLA&APC – No report.

c. P&Z report – Nothing concerning conservation commission directly.

d. Report on the Forest Management– G. Jacobson thanked all commission members who were able to assist with the weed whacking of the Japanese Stilt Grass.

e. Ag Commission report - Finalizing plans for their event on Agritourism. The three Selectmen attended their meeting to gather information and understanding on this event and the implications and how it effects how farms are taxed.

f. Salt Shed – Several of the neighbors who are impacted by this problem did attend our meeting and gave the commission a more extensive overview of the problems they are experiencing and how frustrated they have become in not being given any answers. L. Davidson offered to compose a letter and send it along to the Selectmen asking for guidance and assistance in trying to get some answers for these residents as they feel they have been pretty much “stone-walled” by state personnel. Suggesting that there is a sit down with State representatives along with Town Officials and these residents to hopefully come up with some solutions.

g. Stewardship report – Nothing new this month.

h. Ag Day display – it was determined that we will focus on littering problems along the roadsides, some pictures and info on the forestry plan that has been going on and also we will focus on explaining what it is that our commission does in an attempt to elicit new members. G. Jacobson brought the poster display and will try and make it presentable for Ag Day and also talk with C. Adams about coordinating a litter clean-up as she did organize a very successful cleanup just recently.

9. New Business:

a. Notice/review of past /upcoming Workshops –CT. Invasive Plant conference will be held at UConn on Oct.4, 2018 and if any additional member of the commission wishes to attend the commission will pay for attendance.

b. Open Discussion – Nothing pressing that had not been covered above and couldn't be tabled until next month's meeting as we ran very late.

10. Adjournment –A.J. Purcell motioned, L. Davidson seconded, all in favor, meeting adjourned 8:45pm.

Note: These minutes have not yet been approved by the Conservation Commission. Please refer to minutes from the next meeting for approval/amendments. Respectfully submitted by G. Jacobson, WCC Secretary