

WALLINGFORD CONSERVATION COMMISSION

Meeting Minutes

May 23, 2016.

Present: Marc Pramuk, Chair, Debbie Scranton, David Klock, Carol Macleod, Jill Burkett, Ralph Nimtz. Called to Order @ 6:45. Minutes of previous meeting approved.

Events:

- Green Up Day: WCC gave out 132 bags to 92 participants, down from last year.
Continue setting up at both Rotary and the Transfer Station, but hang old sign at Transfer Station a couple weeks early. Removable letters/numbers next year.
- Organic Diversion Workshop: Marc and Carol attended, but found that the presentation was mostly about their organization without specific information about the process.
- Pavilion Dedication: The event will be held at Elfin Lake, Stone Meadow and Rec. fields on June 18, beginning at 11:00 am until 2:00 pm although the facilities will be open until 6:00 pm. WCC will have a table to answer questions and pass out brochures and info on our projects. There will be:
 - Free hot dogs, hamburgers & drinks.
 - Free ride to Beach for seniors.
 - Guided tours of Trails
 - Scavenger hunt for kids
 - Tour and talk by Chris Stone, Rutland County Forester
 - Music by Dave Klock and Open mic later.
 - Schedule mid-late summer event on invasive plants by local person and input from UVM Extension/Master Gardener Program.

Stone Meadow:

- Marc cut up (3) trees including one in the water at the Canoe Launch and on the Buzzard's Roost Trail.
- Marc posted new pictures on the parking area kiosk.
- Road crew removed the large boulders at the parking area including the one that was to be carved for the sign. We'll have to find another alternative.
- Work day June 8, 5:30 to 7:30. Carol will order topsoil to be spread around split rail fence. May spread Sure Pack at end of Rim Walk to parking area. Bring shovels, rakes, filter fabric. Will discuss Bee Project location alternatives.

Finance:

- \$238. left in account, but spent mostly on topsoil. Broke until 6/30 funds become available.
- Marc is optimistic about getting \$450. grant to help set up Bee Hive project. Kathy Upton has donated Peter's old equipment to get us started. Need to plant berry bushes.

Other:

- Dog Park: Tour potential sites on June 8. Start looking into volunteers, budgeting and fundraising.
- Florence Avenue: (13) junk cars becoming an environmental problem as well as an eyesore. Fluids may be leaking into ground and possibly Roaring Brook. There is an effort underway by neighbors to see it cleaned up. How can we help?
- Transfer Station: Discussions underway to add decorative inserts into chain link fence to hide unsightly dumpsters and compacter. Mill River Students might participate with some artwork and labor.

Meeting adjourned at 8:08.

Submitted by Ralph Nimtz, Secretary

Approved: 06/27/16