

## Wallingford Conservation Commission

Meeting Minutes, July 25, 2016

Present: Marc Pramuk, Debbie Scranton, Dave Klock, Carol Macleod, Ralph Nimitz.

Called to Order @ 6:30. Minutes of previous meeting approved.

**Stone Carving:** Kerry O. Furlani, an accomplished stone carver, will hand-chisel on site the letters and figure in the central large stone. If the stone cooperates the letters will be raised by carving away adjacent material. If not, the stone surface will be flattened to accept a slate plaque. She requires a deposit of \$250. to first be approved by the Selectboard.

**Bee Project:** WCC has received a check from AVCC for \$450. to initiate Bee Colonies in the Meadow consisting of 4 hives. Kathy Upton has donated Peter's hive boxes, head net, gloves, jacket, smoker and hive tool. VLCT to review site selected and appropriate precautions, such as, warning and information signage, perhaps fencing. We will need additional monies for maintenance and supplies, but the rewards are great.

**Stone Meadow:** Cleared two downed trees at Buzzard's Roost Trail and Lower Bog Walk, Poison Parsnip pulled, approx. 100 plants, Buzzards Roost Trail raked, Rim Walk and Accessible Trail trimmed and pruned, log steps created on steep slope on the Upper Bog Trail. Need to replace one birch tree at parking area and order more brochures.

**Signage:** We need a sign that describes the history of Stone Meadow and the reclaiming, from a dump/gravel pit to nature center and exercise area. Also, there have been a couple of incidents of pick-up trucks entering from the Lodge Rd. across the Meadow and up the steep slope to the Phillip's property. We need to rehang our sign of "No Motorized Vehicles Allowed" although located in a more appropriate place than before.

**Work Day:** Next work day to be Wednesday, July 27, from 5:30 to 7:30 pm

Meeting adjourned at 7:05 pm.

Submitted by Ralph Nimitz, Secretary