

## WALLINGFORD CONSERVATION COMMISSION

Meeting minutes – February 26, 2018

Present: Mark Pramuc (chair), Debbie Scranton, Ralph Nimtz

Guests: None

Called to order @ 6:36. Approval of January 22, 2018 minutes, no public comments

### **Re-Cap of Winter Fun Day, February 18, 2018**

Snowfall the night before saved the day, with fresh snow for sledding

Attendance estimated at 50-60, people coming and going

Hot dogs / rolls leftover saved for another event, perhaps opening day at lake

Toasting marshmallows on fire very popular, next year add chocolate for S'Mores

Thanks to the Wallingford Road Crew for last minute plowing for parking!!

### **Forest Management Plan**

For several grants, a forest management plan is needed.

We do not need a full plan, as there will be no logging, etc., but a simplified plan.

Kathy Beland will be contacted end of April for a walk-through of Stone Meadow.

### **Bee project:**

Electric fencing may not be properly grounded, will fix when ground is thawed.

Two colonies are ordered for pick-up in April. Hives blow-torched by Marc to clean.

Marc has a complete new hive, so hope for possible 3<sup>rd</sup> hive if swarming.

Possible honey harvest in April or May

### **Project Ideas for Stone Meadow:**

Repair of kiosk from bullet hole (Marc and Ralph)

Rubbermaid trash barrel(s), recyclable plastic bags, for dog poop

Widening of trails, stabilizing log steps

Planting of native berry bushes, but carefully due to invasive nature

Eradicating Japanese Knotweed infestation, corner RT 140 and Waldo Lane

Work day Sunday, March 4, for Ralph and Marc to move wood duck boxes

**Budget:** No discussion

### **Old Business:**

Shed for WCC tool and bee supplies: Discussion of ready made delivered sheds versus

Sheds we make from existing 8' length cedar posts, plus purchased supplies (2 x4 's,

Plywood, plexiglass window, door, rustic wood siding

This area lost the town sign posted on the large pole which had the rules, including

dogs being on leash, no guns and motorized vehicles allowed. We would like the town to re-post this signage.

Meeting adjourned at 7:22 PM

Approved: March 26, 2018

Submitted by Debbie Scranton