

WALLINGFORD CONSERVATION COMMISSION
Meeting Minutes
April 25, 2016

Present: Marc Pramuk, Chair, Debbie Scranton, David Klock, Carol Macleod, Jill Burkett, Ralph Nimtz. Call to order @ 6:41. Minutes of previous meeting approved.

Stone Meadow:

- Split rail fence installed at parking area with the help and donation by the Wallingford Rotary, as well as, a group from Mill River High School. Donald Glendenning led the group. Carol will get more manure for trees from our account at Otter Supply. Hopefully, we can get the large stones in front moved by June 18, the Pavilion dedication day.
- Trail work: Marc will try to get Mill River students to help with trail work. Upper Bog Trail and Buzzard's Roost Trail could use steps at steep slopes. Need to clear tree at Canoe Launch and one at Buzzard's Roost Trail. May 15th, 10-12, will be a work day. Need new Accessible Trail sign, Sure-Pack end of Rim walk to parking area, mount pictures on Kiosk.

Events:

- 04Green up Day: Marc and Jill will set up at the Transfer Station and Carol will woman the table at Rotary, 8:30 to 11:00. Marc & Carol will hang banners.
- Composting: Marc and Carol will attend the composting seminar on Fri. Will ask Green up attendees if there is interest in learning and helping.
- Pavilion Dedication: June 18 at the Public Beach. Suggested having speakers, treasure hunt, guided trail walks, bird and plant identification.
- Invasive species: Invite speaker to talk about different kinds and means of eradication. Perhaps during a walk at the meadow.

Other:

- Bottle Redemption at the Transfer Station not worth it as a fund raiser.
- Canoe Portage: No progress. Perhaps we should install a warning sign at pipe crossing. Apparently the Railroad dictated the height of the pipe crossing. The water pipe serves a couple of families, the Lodge and the Beach house.
- Dog Park: There remains a strong interest in creating a dog park. It would be a fenced area, perhaps beyond the ball fields. Debbie cited Manchester's as a good example.

Meeting adjourned at 7:54

Respectfully submitted by Ralph Nimtz, Secretary