

Wallingford Conservation Commission

Approved Minutes from Monday, April 24, 2023

- Call to order, Roll Call, Guest introductions 4:32 pm
Present Tom Fort, Debbie Scranton, Jane Quigley, Carol Macleod, Ralph Nimtz. Absent: Rodney Ward, Dennis Duhaime.
- Approval of Monday, March 27, 2023 minutes. 4:34
- Green Up Day, May 6, 2023 4:35
WCC members will staff Green Up Day table in front of the Library from 8:30 AM to 11:30 AM.
- Elfin Lake Public Meeting May 9 at 5:30 with Evan Fitzgerald. 4:40
for presentation to WCC, Town Officers and the public to be shown possible options to prevent the current flow of water and sand into the lake. Notice of this meeting will be posted on FPF.
- Clean Water Projects Funding Opportunity. Possibility of applying for 4:50
Funding to move municipal waterline was discussed but will not be pursued as it does not fully align with purpose of the grant.
- Vermont Open Meeting Law for Municipal Boards. 4:55
The open meeting law is in effect any time the Board is discussing Business or taking action. A quorum would be reached whenever there are 4 WCC members given that the WCC has a total of 7 members. Results of vote have to be reported and recorded. How each member votes does not need to be recorded if vote is unanimously passed.
- Rutland County Solid Waste Outreach Program. Rutland County 5:05
Solid Waste received a grant to collaborate with surrounding Communities to raise awareness regarding solid waste. RCSWD will be Sending a questionnaire to Wallingford residents.

Stone Meadow Park. 5:10

AVCC Tiny Grant. Recipients will be notified in May.

Bees. Three colonies of bees are on order and should be received sometime in May. Three new Hives have been constructed.

New Trash/Recyclable Bin area will be constructed.

Workday at Stone Meadow. No discussion.

Pollinator Garden meeting to be held at noon on April 30th at Stone Meadow.

Project Updates. 5:40

Plastic Film Recycling. Wallingford has received a free Trex bench which will be placed in front of Town Hall. As of this meeting, 1543 lb of plastic film has been Recycled.

Re-Use Give and Take area. An area has been identified for the re-use/give and take but the Transfer Station management plan would need to be updated before implementation of area. The plastic film recycling program will also need to be included in revised management plan. A follow-up meeting will be held with Sandi, Jerry, Art and WCC to ensure alignment on all changes prior to going to Selectboard for approval to update the plan.

Chain Link Fence cover. Transfer Station fence cover will be installed over entryway only to see how well it holds up.

Input on Town Plan. Update is due by 2026.

Budget: Funds currently available are CD \$2022, Budget remaining 5:50 (expiring 6/30) \$1446, honey sales \$635, and donation of \$125 for a total of \$4,228. The money from honey sales and the donation will be used first for purchase of the new bees and other bee expenses.

New business, Old business. 6:00

Meeting with Selectboard, Monday, May 1st to discuss WCC membership.

Rob Barker, Tree Warden will take down the damaged tree on the river bank.

Mission Statement Working Session

6:10

Given limited time remaining in the meeting, a draft mission statement and supporting objectives were circulated for discussion at May WCC meeting.

Adjourn

6:20