

Alstead Conservation Commission Meeting Minutes for May 4, 2022

Present: Sarah Webb, Donna Sabin, David Moody

Guest: Steve Lamonde with Moosewood Ecological Services

I, Minutes from April 6, 2022 - passed as read.

II, Wetlands Prime designation efforts

- First round selection for Prime designation wetlands - to send to Jeffry Littleton by email.
- Email completed advertising material to Jeff.
- Ask Jeff to post announcements (In local shoppers and other media about July 9/10 Wetlands event) for publication during the last week of June 28-July 5, as well as the issue for July 6-12, 2022.

III, Orchard School summer program scholarship - donate \$500.00 to them. We are all in favor.

IV, Easement at Kroka - Pete Throup will call Sarah on status.

V, Road cleanup report for Earth Day - townspeople covered 9+ road sections and captured 80+ blue bags of trash. SUCCESS!

VI, Wetlands event on Saturday July 9, rain date July 10 - to be held 11:00 am to 3:00 pm.

- Sarah is contacting potential presenters.
- Amanda and Jeff Littleton offered to bring canopies, which will free up space in the gazebo for presenters.
- We will prepare an email describing logistics, parking, what to bring, and send it toward end of June.
- Advertising - fliers for around town, one big waterproof poster. Sarah designed the image and text layout for GemGraphics (Marlboro Street, Keene) to re-create.

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Wetlands event presenters:

- Lake Warren Association - will present related activities for the lake. Annie Hess will describe nutrient loading, etc. There could be a watershed walk-around.
- Jeff Littleton - wetlands inventory and related work
- Nature Museum of Grafton, VT - they would bring a "critter table" and wetlands information.
- CCCD (Cheshire County Conservation District) - Amanda Littleton is the contact.
- Alstead Conservation Commission - will have town maps for sale, tri-fold display with activities, photos, logging info and best practices, wetlands guidelines, permitting info, wooly aphid info, etc.
- Distant Hill Gardens - Michael Nerrie's promotional info will be provided; he will hold a corresponding event that day for visits to the gardens grounds and trails. A peat bog is on the Alstead portion of their property.
- Cold River Advisory - Fred Ernst is the contact.

Other contacts to make - adjoining ConComm members such as Langdon, Gilsum, and Charlestown's Dick Holmes.

Meeting began at 3:00 pm, adjourned at 5:00 pm

Next meeting June 1, 2022

Submitted by Joyce Campbell-Counts