

Londonderry Conservation Commission

Minutes

September 18th, 2014

Administrative Matters:

The meeting was called to order at 6:10pm. Members present: Mark Wright, Irwin Kuperber, Bob Twitchell, Bob Trask and Kathie Stone. The minutes of the July meeting were reviewed and a motion was made to accept the minutes as written by Kathie Stone with a second by Bob Twitchell. The motion passed.

Bob Twitchell reported that there was no Treasurer's report for this meeting as the quarter was not yet over. He also reported that he was still waiting for the corrected check from the Town Treasurer for the Norr right of way.

Old Business

Kathie Stone distributed copies of her website page suggestions. Members discussed the material and suggestions were made to clarify the projects section of the website. It was decided that the following categories would be used: current projects, completed projects, reports and upcoming events.

New Business

Members discussed the election of a Vice Chairman and recalled that in a previous meeting a motion had passed for the Treasurer to act as Vice Chairman in the absence of the Chairman therefore no election was necessary.

Irwin Kuperberg stated that the last water testing had been cancelled due to inclement weather but that all other results had been posted in town. Kathie Stone reported that she had forwarded the results to Paul Gordon for posting on the website. Irwin suggested that the Commission make a donation to the Southeastern Vermont Watershed Alliance due to financial struggles they have faced over the last few years. After discussion it was decided that Stone would try to find out the cost for water testing for the Town of Londonderry. The commission would then put in a request for a line item in the budget for the cost of testing.

Kathie Stone reported that she had submitted a photo of Herons to Paul Gordon for the wildlife photo of the month. Members discussed ways to encourage people to submit photos and decided to put a request for photos in the Town Newsletter and see if there was any response.

Mark Wright opened the discussion on the email received from Kevin Beattie regarding the Town's Strategic Plan. After discussion the commission decided that the areas the commission most wanted to see funded would be: water testing, dead tree removal

resulting from invasive insects and funding for the Vermont Youth core to assist with the Commission's work on removing invasive plants.

There were no visitors or concerned citizens at this month' meeting.

Wildlife report

Turkeys, monarch butterflies, deer, blue heron, duck, hawks, yellow neck snakes, ruff grouse, fox, woodpecker, flicker, Canadian geese, hummingbirds, snipe and beaver.

Motion was made by Bob Trask to adjourn at 8:02pm and seconded by Irwin Kuperberg. Motion passed.

Next Meeting: October 16th,2014 at 6:00pm

Respectfully submitted,

Peggy Russell

Approved: _____ Robert Trask, Secretary