

Londonderry Conservation Commission
Meeting of 15 January 2015

Present: Kuperberg, Stone, Trask, Twitchell, and Wright.

The minutes were accepted as corrected for the 16 December 2014 meeting.

Bob Twitchell reported a balance of \$17,786.00 in the conservation fund at the branch of the Heritage Credit Union in S. Londonderry.

Old Business:

The meeting took up Jeremy Schrauf's visit to the December meeting. Bob Twitchell made a motion that the LCC contribute \$1500 to the Southeast Vermont Watershed Alliance with the stipulation that these funds are to be used only for water testing. Motion seconded by Irwin Kuperberg and was passed unanimously.

The Town Clerk advised the meeting that the report of the LCC's activities in 2014 for the Town Report is due on 1 February.

These activities include logging on the Shamborg Property and Pingree Park, water sampling from the West River by Irwin Kuperberg and Kathie Stone, Sara Zenhandra's bee symposium held at the Historical Society's School Building last Summer, uprooting and burning of wild chervil and participation in the controlled burn conducted by the Town on the Prouty Property.

New Business:

It was decided to hold a public informational meeting on the subject of water in Londonderry; this would include the West River, lakes and ponds, brooks and groundwater. The meeting will be held at the Twitchell Town Office Building on 18 March 2015. Laurie Callahan and Maria Caduto will be contacted for help in this presentation.

Mark Wright wants to pursue the possibility of a public meeting using the Vermont Center For Eco-studies as a resource, perhaps in the Spring or Summer. Bob Twitchell agreed it would be possible in the Fall to have a public meeting about the effect of the burning program at the Prouty Property on the invasive species there.

Sharon Prouty of the Town Planning Commission has requested a report from the LCC on our role in the conservation of the various Town Properties.

Wooly Adelgid reports are due at the February meeting.

Wildlife report:

Ermine, turkeys, coyote, pileated woodpecker, snowshoe hare, chickadees, crows, ravens and slate colored junco.

The meeting adjourned at 7:35 pm after a motion by Bob Twitchell seconded by Kathie Stone.

Next meeting Feb. 19th at 6 pm, Twitchell Town Office Building