**TILTON CONSERVATION COMMISSION**

**June 17, 2019
MINUTES**

Members present: Chuck Mitchell; Helen Hanks; Bob Hardy; Jim Cropsey; Paul Rushlow; Jon Scanlon;
 Ben Wadleigh; Kathi Mitchell

**Meeting was called to order by the Chair at 7:00 p.m.**

1. **RFP for Salmon Run:** Tim has put the RFP on the town’s website, and the secretary will place a link on the TCC website. The Commissioners brainstormed a dozen other possible sources. The chair will also place the information on social media sites. The trees have been marked, and Kevin has agreed to shred what is cut.
2. **Minutes:** The May minutes were reviewed. Helen made a motion to accept the minutes as presented, and Jim seconded the motion. All were in favor.
3. **Old Business:
a) Wooden sign for Salmon Run** – The sign is in Bob’s truck and looks wonderful! Katherine Dawson will assist the TCC in digging the posthole on Friday morning at 8:00. There was a discussion about the best means of securing the post. The chair offered a possible solution.

**b) Invasive species concerns at boat ramps**: Jim has been in contact with a number of people and has obtained signage for boat ramps reminding boaters to be aware of avoiding invasive species. Northfield will receive five signs and four will go to Tilton (Jay’s Marina, Silver Lake, Riverfront Park, and Salmon Run Conservation Area). Jim will contact Eversource and Northfield officials. Chuck will be in touch with Jay’s Marina.

**c) Salmon Run maintenance** – Paul removed the Tree of heaven and sprayed walkway weeds. He and Jackie did a great job on the gardens.

**4. New Business:**

**a) Possible NH DES application for Town of Tilton:** Jeanie is working on this application to get the capstones out of the river.

**b) Tulips for fall planting:** Jeanie and the 150th Committee are proposing planting 1869 tulips throughout town. Bob has access to wholesale accounts and will check on possible prices.

**c) Conservation easement on Ernie’s portion of Salmon Run:** There was a discussion about protecting the habitat from potential development by placing an easement similar to the one which was placed on the portion of the property purchased from the state. Bob made the motion to look into this matter, and Paul seconded it. All were in favor.

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 **Correspondence:** There was none.

 **Other:**
 Helen made a motion to adjourn at 8:05 p.m. Jim seconded the motion. The motion was approved.

Respectfully submitted,

 Kathi Mitchell, secretary