

TILTON CONSERVATION COMMISSION

August 17, 2020

MINUTES

Members present: Chuck Mitchell, Chair; Jim Cropsey; Bob Hardy; Helen Hanks; Jan Landry; Paul Rushlow; Jon Scanlon; Ben Wadleigh; and Kathi Mitchell

Meeting was called to order by the Chair at 7:02 p.m.

1. * Thanks to Paul Rushlow for all the work he's done at Riverfront Park.
 - *There are more wildflowers at Salmon Run Conservation Area this year than ever before.
 - * It will be necessary to attack the purple loosestrife at the southern edge of Salmon Run before it spreads. Bob will contact Katherine Dawson to coordinate activities with her.
2. **Minutes:** Bob made a motion to approve the minutes of the July 7 meeting. Paul seconded the motion. All were in favor. Jim made a motion to accept the minutes of July 20. Bob seconded the motion. All were in favor.
3. **Old Business: none**
4. **New Business:**
 - a) **WWN request for milfoil funding** – The commissioners reviewed the request presented. Jon made a motion to approve the Winnisquam Watershed Network request for \$ 3,427 for use of the herbicide Procellacor EC to be applied in a section of Lake Winnisquam by Solitude Lake Management to facilitate the management of milfoil. Jim seconded the motion, and all were in favor.
 - b) **Silver Lake Association request for milfoil funding** -The commissioners reviewed the email request for funding. Helen made a motion was made to grant the request pending receipt of the TCC Application for Milfoil Fund Usage from the SLA. Jan seconded the motion, and all were in favor. The TCC also asked where the diving will be and what progress has been made since last year's efforts. The commissioners also discussed screening at the Lochmere Dam to prevent milfoil from being shredded and sent downstream. Is this happening. Jim will check on this.
 - c) The commissioners expressed an interest in receiving a report or an update on the effectiveness of treatment from both organizations in the fall.
5. **Correspondence: none**
6. **Other:**
 - a) The TCC still has questions about how to respond to PBNs. Bob will contact Brad Crosby to see what Sanbornton is doing.
 - b) Rowell's is moving across the street from Smoke N Barley on Laconia Road. There are wetlands in the back of the property that have been impacted by a previous owner.

c) The Fire department intends to burn a home on Laconia Road next to the Post Office building. Trees beside the home are part of the wildlife corridor established by Planet Honda (TCC April 20, 2020). It is hoped that this vegetation will not be destroyed during the burning. In addition, commissioners had questions about whether silt fences will be in place during the process since there are wetlands near the property in question. Questions regarding public safety – smoke; fumes; burning roofing materials; the dangers of lead paint, wiring, and plumbing being incinerated; isn't it illegal to burn demolition debris? The secretary was asked to send a letter to the Selectboard and to the Fire Department.

7. Helen made the motion to adjourn which was seconded by Jim.
The meeting was adjourned at 7:47 pm after a unanimous vote.

Respectfully submitted,

Kathi Mitchell, secretary