

Falmouth Conservation Commission Minutes of March 5, 2018

Meeting convened at 7:00 p.m.

Members present: Karen Jacobsen, Nancy Lightbody, Sue Shane, Jerry Goodall **Also present**: Kimberly Darling (staff)

Review of Minutes

Minutes of the February 5, 2018, meeting were unanimously accepted as amended.

Update on Pesticide Restriction Ordinance

We reviewed the draft and made some adjustments. It was a good discussion, and, as a result, we voted to "Approve the draft as amended" and present it to the Town Council.

Last-minute details for "Lawns and Lobsters" Public Forum

Kimberly Darling showed us the posters that she had made announcing the Forum. They were put up throughout the Town. The Lawn Care Public Forum will be held at the Portland Country Club on Saturday, March 10, from 9-12.

Subcommittee Reports:

• LMAC (Karen)

LMAC reviewed the Nature Preserve's status, unsecured trails, and the Suckfish Brook wetland project. They also reviewed updates to the "Greening of Falmouth 2.0."

Invasive Species (Sarah/Jerry/Nancy)

Kimberly Darling reported that an RFQ (Request for Qualification) form had been drafted for applicators to submit if they were interested in applying herbicides on invasive plants on town-owned land in Falmouth.

Encouragement of a Healthy Environment: Ticks (Sue S.)

Sue reported that she is gathering information, flyers, etc. on ticks and tick-related issues. She would also like to have someone else be on the sub-committee with her.

Other Business/Other Ideas

• <u>LD 1853 – Pesticide Ordinance Preemption</u>

Nancy reported that she had received a letter about this ordinance, but as the timeframe to respond was so short, we decided not to send a formal response. We are encouraged individually to let our representatives know our thoughts.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:30.

The next meeting will be on April 2, 2018. (Sarah will take the minutes.)

Submitted by Jerry Goodall.