

## Falmouth Conservation Commission Minutes of June 3, 2019

Members Present: Rich Bicknell, Sarah Boudreau, Jerry Goodall, Karen Jacobson,

Nancy Lightbody, Jeanie Campbell

**Also Present:** Kimberly Darling (staff)

**Review of Minutes:** The minutes of May 6, 2019, were approved.

Next Meeting: September 9, 2019

**Wayfinding Signs:** Discussion of beautification of park entrances and around the new

signs.

## **Subcommittee Updates**

**LMAC**: Karen reported they are working on same "open space implementation strategy."

<u>Water Quality/Erosion</u>: A grant was awarded for DEP to test stream waters to access the watershed health.

Wetlands/Vernal Pools: Nothing new to report.

<u>Invasive Species</u>: Planning a day to map roadsides to update and compare old to new data.

Planning Board: Meeting June 4, 2019.

<u>Highland Lake</u>: Highland Lake Association meeting July 18, 2019. Planning event to inform public about planting and roads around lake. Buffer blitz June 13, 2019, discussing how to buffer, beautify, and improve land around lake.

## Other Business

## Pesticide/Fertilizer Ordinance

New ordinance committee after election. Ideas going forward: Have homeowners sign pledge not to use Pesticides and Fertilizers, Work with Casco Bay on water testing, Whittle down pesticide list to make it more user friendly, Simplify all ordinance language, Develop presentation to homeowners on healthy lawn care, Ask Jesse for his PP presentation, Write *Forecaster* articles about preserving our natural resources and/or weekly editorials. Kimberly has folks to try to compare water quality with what chemicals might be in water from applications (from pros and homeowners).

The meeting adjourned at 9:00 pm. Happy Summer!

Submitted by Jeanie Campbell