



Conservation Commission

September 9, 2019
Meeting Minutes

Attendance

Name	Present	Name	Present
Nancy Lightbody <i>Chair</i>	✓	Susan Gilpin	✓
Rich Bicknell	✓	Jerry Goodall	✓
Sarah Boudreau	✓	Karen Jacobsen	✓
Jeanie Campbell	✓	Kimberly Darling <i>Staff</i>	✓
		Tommy Johnson <i>Council Liaison</i>	✓

Others attending: Newell Augur (Attorney at Law, Pierce Atwood)

Nancy began the meeting at 6:45 p.m. so that Commission members could meet with Tommy Johnson, Town Council liaison to the FCC, to make introductions and discuss goals for the year.

1. Establish Quorum

It was observed that a quorum was established.

2. Review of Draft Minutes of June 3, 2019

The minutes of June 3, 2019, were approved as corrected.

3. Public Comment

There was none.

4. Subcommittee Reports

LMAC: Karen reported that LMAC did trail maintenance at River Point.

Water Quality/Erosion: Susan reported that there is a statewide commission studying the health of the Gulf of Maine. Nancy reported on the Proactive Watershed Protection Project. Kim reported on Falmouth's participation with this project.

Wetlands/Vernal Pools: No report.

Invasive Species: Nancy informed the Commission that Nancy Olmstead would give a lecture on invasive species in Portland on September 12. Kim reported that invasives will be treated sometime this fall. She also informed the Commission that Public Works will cut back the dead debris from past eradication efforts. There will be a second treatment of knotweed patches.

Planning Board: Nancy reported on ongoing development projects under consideration by the Board. Sarah asked about the impact of developments on the town's natural resources. The Commission agreed that meeting with a member of the Planning Board would be helpful.

Highland Lake Leadership Team: Nancy will attend a limnology class on September 30, from 5:00 – 9:00 p.m. in Windham.

Update on Pesticide Restriction Ordinance: The Pesticide Restriction Ordinance will be reviewed at the Ordinance Subcommittee on September 11.

Nancy shared details of Jesse Obrien's lawn care presentation at Skillin's Nursery on September 7.

Rich offered to research a short list of banned chemicals.

Newell Augur shared his interest in ordinance development and implementation in the Portland area.

5. Other Business/Other Ideas

Reforestation Idea: Susan presented a reforestation project to celebrate the 200th anniversary of Maine in conjunction with Arbor Day and Earth Day.

Beautification: Kim suggested a replanting project at Town Landing where invasives have been removed.

6. Set Date and Agenda for Next Meeting

The FCC decided to meet next on Monday, October 7, 2019, at 7:00 p.m. (Sarah will take the minutes.)

7. Adjourn

The meeting adjourned at 8:45 p.m.

Minutes prepared by Karen Jacobsen