Canaan Conservation Commission

Minutes

July 12, 2021

Attendees: Bill Chabot, Elizabeth Chabot, Len Reitsma, Thomas Oppel, Cody Hussey, Alice Schori, Noel Everts, Dave McAlister

Minutes

Thomas moved we accept the June minutes, Len seconded the motion, all approved.

Old Business

Kate Brooks Memorial

Tree Planting

- Status
 - o July 31 at noon, plant
 - E- email Dave M and Rochelle
- Plaque
 - Len to ask bird and garden people about sponsoring the plaque
- Watering
 - Elizabeth to contact the Friends of Canaan to see if they can water the tree

Meetinghouse memorial

- Picnic tables- currently \$150 at Home Depot.
- Likely need historical society approval. Len to take a photo and send to Thomas who will seek approval.
- Benches wait until next year, work on a larger plan over the winter.

Conservation Index

- Cody has almost completed all the entries in the spreadsheet.
- Logical next step- draft proposed letter to landowners to review with Selectboard.
 (Bill)
 - Plan our financial contribution strategy
- Add classifications to the list, ie: wetlands

Commission Members

Bill Chabot: Chair, 3 year term ending April 30, 2024

Len Reitsma: 3 year term ending August 31, 2022

Elizabeth Chabot: Secretary, 3 year term ending April 30, 2022

Thomas Oppel: 3 year term ending January 2024

Cody Hussey: 3 year term ending January 2024

Alternates:

Alice Schori

Noel Everts

Selectboard Representative:

Dave McAlister

Town Forest Improvements

- Beaver bridge: Len will pick a date and advise the commission. Will ask the public for volunteers
 provided they are needed
- Interpretive signage
- Brochure
- Better maps or something posted that people can take a picture of
 - Cody to get new coordinates
- Sign posts with better trail markings at intersections

Funding Sources

• Cody continuing to research funding sources, including timelines and requirements. He says there are many sources available.

New Business

- NHACC Consultancy- Cody will reach out to the NH Conservation people to see if they help with funding requests.
- Open Space Collaboration:

Misc

- August meeting at the Meetinghouse.
- Town website- need to update.
- Alice is considering what invasive remediation could be undertaken in August.

Motion to adjourn made by Len, seconded by Bill

Next Meeting is scheduled for August 2, 2021

Respectfully submitted by Elizabeth Chabot