

LEMPSTER Conservation Commission Meeting

June 6, 2023 @ Town Offices

Meeting called to order at 4:32 pm

Members present: Lynda, Mindy, Ivan, Phil, Rachel, Robin and Guest: Jennifer

Secretary's report: accepted as read

Treasurer's report: accepted as read \$16,306.86

- River Road: Lynda has not received a written proposal as yet, Erin Darrow suggested a \$150,000 study might be needed. Lynda will contact Village Forge for them to look at the project. She contacted Greg Thibedeau, from Acworth Conservation, about tire tracks from Marlow to the Lempster bridge.
- Grants: none at this time
- Trails: New trail, River Ledge Trail, is already being used. There was a great turnout for National Trails Day to help on the new trail.
- Intent to cut: 3new: Bruce Craigin/Rt10, Tim Murry/Hurd Rd, and Foote Stetson/Grandview Rd
- Orchard at Earl's Lane: Matt Magnussun finished the first portion of the orchard plan. It is already coming back into shape and looking like an orchard. He left a few trees he might have to cut in the fall, but they had some life in them so he is giving them a chance over the summer to revive.
- Signage: the new No Parking signs are up on Long Pond Road. Voted to buy a sign for River Road saying "Do Not Block Roadway"
- Dodge Pond: improvements and repairs cannot be done until beavers are removed. Long Pond: Thank you to Ed Smith for buying and installing the boat tie ups on the wharf. We voted to buy pea stone for the wet areas of the picnic area and sand for the beach.
- Educational programs: Nico is interested in making a presentation for us.
- National Trails Day, Saturday June 3rd: Thanks to Lynda for all the work; it was very successful with a great turnout of volunteers, picnic and prizes! Next years date is June 1st, possibly we can hook up with Acworth
- Roadside cleanup: All of Lempster Street and Second NH Turnpike to Route 10 was done
- Any other old business:none

New Business:

- Trail signs/Trail names: New trail will be named River Ledge Trail, Cart Path Trail is changing to Beaver Meadow Trail, and the trail on River Road is Dodge Brook Trail. Signs will be made for those 3 trails.
- Any other new business: An inquiry was made, so after some investigation, a new tab was added to the town website under our link describing how to dispose of invasive species.
- The "Jolly Farmer" round table discussion has been changed from 1pm to 2 pm this Sunday June 7th.

Date of next meeting: Work meeting July 12, meeting at 2pm at Duck Pond to clean up the trail.
Bring saws and clippers to remove brush and downed trees from trail.

Meeting adjourned at: 5:09 pm