

Lempster Conservation Commission Meeting

June 5, 2024 @ Town Office

Meeting called to order at: 4:35 PM

Members Present: John N, Rachel T, Phil T, Robin M, Mindy C, Lynda P.

Guest Jennifer Gilden-Blinn

Secretary's report: Accepted with the addition of the approval of establishing a 501c3 with the same officers.

Treasurer's report: Accepted as read with a balance of \$11,226.46

- River Road/Dodge Brook Trail: The LCC had a successful National Trails Day. Thank you to Kathy and Gabe Greeley, Dave Richards, Ed Smith and Keith Chadwick for their help. Also thank you to Mr. and Mrs. Smith for their donation of a picnic table, sign, and lunch. LCC will ask for permission from BOS to get an estimate to fix the bridge with donated money and Lynda will ask DES if it is okay to fix the rocks.
- Grants: No new information
- Trails: LCC approved to fix the kiosk at Duck Pond Trail. Lady Slipper needs some trail work. LCC will look into someone making a trail map with all town trails on it.
- Intent to cut: Stetsons on Grandview, Simino on Lempster St, Gover on School Rd, Brookins on Keyes Hollow, Ibits on Sand Pond Rd, and Cheever on Sand Pond Rd
- The Orchard: The prescribed burn has been postponed until October. Phil will reach out to Matt to see when he will be back to work on the Orchard.
- Signage: No new signs are needed. Donation of Dodge Brook Trail sign by Mr. and Mrs. Smith
- Educational programs: Approved for John N to check with Skip Lisle (beaver deceivers.com) about doing a presentation about Beaver Deceivers. John will check on cost and availability.
- Eighth Grade award: Submissions were read and a winner was chosen for the \$100 award which was previously approved at the LCC February 7th meeting. The award will be presented at LCS graduation on 6/12. Thank you to all the 8th graders who participated.
- Animals spotted in town: Blue Bird, Moose, Bear, and Cormorant
- Recreation areas: There is now a picnic area at Dodge Brook Trail, Earls Lane, and Long Pond. Discussion of a future nature trail and possible disk golf at Earls Lane.

Old Business:

- Mowing Of Earls Lane: Approved to hire Mark Girad to mow for \$1350.

New Business:

- 501c3: Kelly Caron will help with set up. We need to write bylaws. Friends of the Conservation Commission will meet following regular meetings.
- Approved to pay \$2000 to Long Pond and \$1500 to Sand Pond for Lake Host Program
- Received a copy of the WetLands Permits from DES for the Drift Track

Date of next meeting: July 3rd @ 1:00 PM Duck Pond Trail

Meeting adjourned at: 6:03 PM