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**HARDWICK TOWN CONSERVATION COMMISSION
MEETING MINUTES**

Tuesday, July 19, 2022 6:00pm @ Memorial Bldg.

Present: Ken Davis, Rachel Kane, Ben Pougner, Norma Wiesen, Judy Bellairs (guest)

Absent: Renaud Demers, Jerry Schneider

1. Planning for event led by Judy (Sat, Aug 13 at 10:00 am at Atkins Field)

“Butterfly Gardens and Raising Butterflies”

Judy will notify Bethany Dunbar at CAE about using Atkins Field

Ben and **Rachel** will post flyers

Norma will make poster and advertise on FPF

2. Discussion about how to begin the process of getting bids for the Natural Resources Inventory . The CC has been granted \$15,000 for the project from the Town’s ARPA funds.

Much discussion about first steps:

Get info about the RFP process—how do we do it? what do we need to know?

what’s the timeline? etc

Involve the public/ get “chatter” going about the project

Recruit volunteers from the Town, for particular tasks and for the CC Board

Judy will contact the VT Assoc. of Conservation Commissions to see about a

“template” for an NRI Request for Proposal, learn what towns already have NRIs, etc.

Norma will meet with Tracy Martin, Hardwick’s Community Development Coordinator, to find out the Town’s requirements for the bid process

Judy and **Norma** will share their findings. There was consensus about trying to complete the RFP at/by the August meeting.

Meeting adjourned 7:15pm.

**Next regular meeting: Tues, Aug 16, 2022 @ 6:00pm@
Mem. Bldg.**

Submitted by Norma Wiesen, Secretary