

HARDWICK CONSERVATION COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES

July 18, 2023 @ Memorial Building

Present: Kathy Hemmens, Rachel Kane, Erin Rosenthal, Norma Wiesen

Absent: Ken Davis, Geoff Fehrs, Ben Pougner, Jerry Schneider, Lucy Zenzian

1. Meeting called to order 5:10

2. Event Planning

A. Cedar Swamp Walk, Wed Aug 23 at 4:00/ Ginny Garrison and Mike Parker property on Center Road

i. **Erin** and **Rachel** will inspect the site so advertising can include conditions (Need boots? Bug stuff? etc)

ii. **Rachel** will check with the owners to assure the date is good

iii. **Norma** will confirm date/time with Matt Peters

iv. Publicity (FPF, posters and Gazette) will begin as early in Aug as possible---tasks not yet assigned to members—

PUBLICITY NEEDS TO OCCUR BEFORE OUR NEXT MEETING

B. Reschedule Kate Brook/Buffalo Mt Walk

i. **Norma** will check with Matt about good dates/times in September

ii. Finalize plans at Aug meeting

C. Meeting / Rep. Peter Anthony re Conservation Bill H.126

i. **Kathy** suggested, in light of the Flood of '23, we should postpone any meeting until later in the fall or winter. All agreed.

D. Let's Go Fishing event at Mackville Pond (possible date Sat Sept 23)

i. **Kathy** suggested partnering with the Rec Committee and will contact them

- ii. **Rachel** will confirm date with Jonathon Ross, VT Fish and Wildlife,
(who provide the event, including instruction and equipment)
- iii. Pre-registration is required for this event
- iv. Finalize plans at Aug meeting

3. Other

A. Rachel: Discussion about river clean-up and riparian planting

Rachel will attend the community supper Wednesday to get info about ways the Conservation Commission might address problems along the waterways created by the flooding. Discussion to be continued at the Aug meeting

B. Norma will ask Matt to update the Commission about how his work plans have changed because of the Flood of '23

4. Meeting adjourned at 6:15

Next regular meeting: Mon Aug 14 @ 5:00 @ Memorial Building

Submitted by Norma Wiesen, Secretary