

Dalton Conservation Commission

Minutes November 16, 2021

Call to order: 6:30PM

Members in attendance: Nancy Comeau, Tamela Swan, Traci Wagner, Ernie Hannaford, Miriam Caldwell, Ruth Duval

Review October 19th minutes: All voted to accept amended minutes.

Updates

- NHACC 51st Annual Meeting & Conference Nov 6-iNaturalist (PowerPoint) – Tamela Swan attended (Town Lands for Conservation and Sand & Gravel), Nancy – iNaturalist & Citizen Science. Ernie attended iNaturalist and Citizen Science. – Can share recordings to other DCC members
- CWS/DCC comment letter to NHDES (address site visit issue) – Jim McClammer sent Nancy a letter in regards to the issues he was working on and suggestions and prepare to comment when the new comment period starts (letter attached for review – DCC members should review and comment if needed).
- Email w/attachment from CWS
- Discussed skipping December meeting. Voted to not have meeting in December unless important business comes up. Unanimous decision to not have meeting.
- Training for DCC (Jan-March) – Nancy thought it would be great to have training sessions for all DCC members to help improve our knowledge and be able to better help the towns conservation.

Interactive

- Introduction/Training for iNaturalist January 19 meeting
- NRI - Elise Lawson will attend Feb 15 meeting (Snow date March)
- Vernal Pool Project

Public comments – No public comments.

Work session (30 minutes)

- Discussion on updating NRI – NRI and Dalton Conservation plan can co-exist together.
- Committee for priority mitigation efforts (Rix Brook) – come up with ideas to utilize money if there is mitigation money. NH DOT is requesting potential areas if there is mitigation on priority mitigation efforts for Rix Brook. (i.e. *Rogers Rangers*)

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along Connecticut River, site on Union Road-) –*site on Union Road* –Ruth Duval suggested Cushman Brook) – Need to investigate a few brooks to see if any culverts need replacing or other repairs . Dalton Conservation Plan can help identify some potential areas.

- Nancy to reach out to NHDOT for clarification on mitigation.
- Need to make a list of areas/lands for potential conservation land. Nancy will try to get a map of Dalton's streams.

Meeting Adjourned: 7:37PM