

Dummerston Conservation Commission
Meeting Minutes 2/11/21

Members attending: Dan Kray, Ed Anthes, Judy Fink, Christine Goepp, Lynn Levine, Jesse Wampler, Richard Mills, John Anderson, David Greenewalt

Others attending: Connie Woodbury

1. Minutes for the meeting of January 14, 2021 were corrected to change the date from 11/12/20 to 1/14/21. Moved by Rick Mills, seconded by Judy Fink. Unanimous approval.
2. Connie Woodbury introduced herself to the commission and expressed her interest in rejoining the commission.
3. A discussion about finances for 2021 was held. In recent years, the Commission has contributed \$2,000 to the Dummerston School for the environmental program with Bonnyvale Environmental Education Fund. Additional money would need to be raised to meet this level of funding for 2021-22.
4. Monarch Project- Helen at Bunker Farm is propagating Swamp milkweed again this year. This year, the Conservation Commission will consider helping pay a portion of the cost. Further discussion will be held at the March meeting.
5. Newsletter- Ideas for future editions include links to past DCC programs, old photos, and information on Dummerston trails.
6. Website-needs update and reorganization. David will begin work on this.
7. Natural areas map of Dummerston- David noted rare and threatened species and wetlands within 100 feet of the roadside on a new map. Specific data will be added to make the map more useful for the Road Crew.
8. A Facebook quiz on tracking has been getting interest from townspeople.
9. Rick Mills suggested constructing Little Free Libraries or Conservation Stations with information on conservation and nature topics. Jesse is beginning construction.
10. Prospect Trail- Rick removed a fallen tree from the trail.
11. Sightings- two dozen deer on Camp Arden Rd., downy, hairy and red bellied woodpeckers, barred owls, mating fox tracks, robins, Carolina wren, redpolls and evening grosbeaks

Next meeting: Thursday, March 11 at 6 pm.

Respectfully submitted, Ed Anthes