Dummerston Conservation Commission Meeting Minutes 10/14/2021

Members attending: Christine Goepp, David Greenwalt, Lynn Levine, Jesse Wempler, Dan Kray, John Anderson

This month's meeting opened with a presentation, which will be posted in addition to the meeting minutes.

Courtney Butler, Fisheries Biologist, of the Vermont Department of Fisheries (Springfield office)

Presented

- Dummerston is within District 1, covered by two biologists
- Fisheries districts / areas are broken out in the State by watersheds
- Fish management monitors different species (as well as stocking)

1. Administrative

- a. September Minutes: Motion to accept put forth by Dan Kray, seconded David Greenwalt. Approved by unanimous consent.
- b. John Anderson passes along that a request from the Town for input addressing Commission activities will be forthcoming. Christine Goepp and Lynn Levine will take on the writing of annual inputs for the report.
- c. Dan Kray will be leaving the commission as he moves to Minnesota next month. The commission will move forward in looking at new membership to include conservation interest, as well as job skills.

2. Public Outreach:

a. Newsletter content: This month's letter was strong. The commission will need to plan the handover of newsletter responsibilities as Dan departs the commission. Dan has a lead on someone who may be able to move into the position and at least handle some of the technological needs and requirements.

3. Active Programs:

- a. Covered Bridge: Application for the design grant is signed by the Selectboard and will be submitted.
- b. Emerald Ash Borer update (Dan Kray): There will still be tracking event this weekend. Dan will send out a notice in the next day or so to clarify on which day it will happen based on weather forecasts.

Next meeting: Thursday, November 11th at 6 pm.

Respectfully submitted, Todd Davidson