

Dummerston Conservation Commission

Meeting Minutes 1.11.24

Members attending: John Anderson, Christine Goepp, David Greenewalt, Lynn Levine, Rick Mills, Jesse Wagner, Emily Alexander

Chair: Christine Goepp

Clerk/minutes: Christine Goepp

Agenda

Administrative:

- Financial report motion—**Rick Mills motions to accept, Emily Alexander seconds. Unanimous consent**
- Previous meeting minutes motion—**John Anderson motions to accept, Rick Mills seconds. Unanimous consent.**

Programs:

- BEEC donation—Thank you letter shared with group
- CT River Conservancy presentation—Kathy Urffer reviewed the process and conservation concerns involved in the relicensing of dams along the Connecticut River. She will provide follow-up materials and information for participating in the public comment process. The DCC will follow up with the Putney Rowing Club and other riverfront landowners to see if they have input specific to Dummerston.
- Newsletter. Mailchimp subscription—**Lynn Levine motions, Jesse Wagner seconds** motion to upgrade to a paid subscription for \$19 per month. **Unanimous consent.** Christine will request and send Charlotte an invoice John has offered to provide nature notes after his anticipated retirement from the Commission this summer.
- Website—no updates
- Invasives control—Prospect access to be determined over the winter for possible mechanical removal
- Ridgeline overlay recommendation—no updates
- Facebook—Emily Alexander demonstrated how to create a Facebook event to promote upcoming programs
- Conservation stations—no updates
- Land Stewardship:
 - Steps by covered bridge—RFPs will be sent out this spring
- Speakers/Seminars/Events

- January--Matthew Boulton on awe. David suggested possibly serving refreshments. Facebook event created
- February—Roger Haydock on trail building, Deer Run in particular, 15th at 7pm. Roger will send us blurb, which Christine will send to Emily for the website and to the group.
- March or April—Andrew Morrison from CISMA on invasives (need subject and blurb from Andrew—Lynn will request)
- Mike Clough possibility for 2024
- Town meeting in March—discussion of having a DCC table and speaker—providing a synopsis of what we have been doing

Sightings—none