

Dummerston Conservation Commission
Meeting Minutes 10/10/2024

Members attending: Lew Teich, Jesse Wagner, Christine Goepp, Lynn Levine, David Greenewalt, Bill Conley

Public attendees: Phil Goepp

- Administration
 - Financial report - No update this month.
 - BEEC annual donation of \$650 requested from the Commission. **Lew Teich motions to make contribution; Bill Conley seconds. Unanimous consent.**
 - October meeting minutes - Reviewed. **Lynn Levine motions to accept; Lew Teich seconds. Unanimous consent.**
- Programs
 - Views of Dummerston/newsletter - Newsletter is published. Coordination with Views for upcoming issue is complete. Jesse will work on a possible article for the November or December newsletter. Considering possible hawk count article when season is over. Might add conserved land tally to a future newsletter or Views. Also, a background on what the Conservation Commission does for the town. Lynn Levine may write on the changes to deerhunting policies.
 - Website/Facebook - Newsletter link posted to two Facebook groups. Bios have been added to the website.
 - Prospect Hill management - Awaiting update on mowing.
 - Trail book - Will bring some to the Apple Pie festival and the Historical Society. The commission is looking in to moveable boxes/carriers for guides at events.
 - Covered bridge steps - Commission reviewed possible signage for the beach at the covered bridge - trash and animal procedures. Two signs will be purchased and installed. Will contact the Selectboard and/or highway crew about a minor bit of swale work near steps.
 - Speakers/Seminars/Events—Commission may contact BEEC about doing a presentation in near future (see financials above). Andrew Morrison may speak about invasives in November, dates and location to be determined and advertised. Jesse is looking into a possible mushroom presentation (Melany Kahn) in future.
- Sightings - Some porcupines. Jesse's scarecrow. Mama bear and cubs. Lynn has a smelling - loads of skunks.
 - Next meeting: Thursday, November 14th at 6pm at the Town Office

Respectfully submitted, Todd Davidson