

Dummerston Conservation Commission  
Meeting Minutes 5/8/2025

Members attending: Jesse Wagner, Christine Goepp, Bill Conley, Ron Svec, Lew Teich, David Greenewalt

Public attendees: Phil Goepp, Debbie Miller

Called to order: 6:06pm

- Administration:
  - Financial report – No report to approve this meeting.
  - April meeting minutes – **Motion to accept by Jesse Wagner, seconded by Lew Teich. Unanimous consent.**
- Programs:
  - Views of Dummerston / newsletter – Newsletter is published, Christine Goepp will put on Facebook. Bill Conley and Ron Svec will collaborate on an article about public and private land from a stewardship, neighborliness perspective, to include information about posting, hunting, hiking, etc. and Bill and Debbie may collaborate on an invasives piece.
  - Trail book – David restocked box at the town office.
  - Website / Facebook – Discussed issue with newsletter signup button connecting to Mailchimp
  - Prospect Hill / Covered bridge rain garden – planting at the rain garden on May 8 with WCRC. Plan is to get some low shrubs for the garden with remaining funds. Some remaining plants from the sale have been procured for around the town office; Christine Goepp will contact Laurie or Eliza. Planning for a community-focused Prospect Hill hike in June / July.
  - Pamphlet for local invasives for Dummerston is in progress (Debbie Miller).
  - Conservation stations – Lew Teich has designed an updated new station, will look for an artist to paint a tree facade. Location still TBD.
  - Speakers / Events – Hayley Kolding of Vermont River Conservancy will attend the July 10<sup>th</sup> DCC meeting and then possibly do a public event. A Jim Andrews event about reptiles and amphibians is upcoming in future. **Jesse Wagner motions to approve \$300 for future events if needed; Lew Teich seconds. Unanimous consent.**
- Sightings: Coyote. Turkeys. Red eft / spotted newt. Salamanders. Peregrine falcons hunting at the quarry. Snakes!

Adjourned: 7:47pm

- Next meeting: Thursday, June 12th at 6pm at the Town Office

Respectfully submitted, Todd Davidson

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