

Dummerston Conservation Commission
Meeting Minutes 6/11/2026

Members attending: Christine Goepp, Jesse Wagner, Bill Conley, David Greenewalt, Lynn Levine, Debbie Miller

Public attendees: Phil Goepp (technical consultant)

Called to order: 6:07 pm

- Administration:
 - Financial report – No report this month to review.
 - Previous meeting minutes – No minutes to review / No meeting.

- New Initiatives:
 - Land Conservation / Vermont Conservation Plan – DCC is considering an off-schedule meeting to discuss land conservation initiatives and practices. Christine will reach out to Bill Schmidt to settle on a date for a special meeting on this subject.
 - Logging – Discussed options for following, tracking, and advising on local efforts. Concerns were raised about how the recent cut on Black Mountain Road was conducted, especially around a vernal pool. Lynn to provide info on the parties involved and laws regarding logging and vernal pools, Jesse and Christine to follow up with raising these concerns.
 - Views Article – Updates with focus on mowing. Christine will circulate framework, others can tweak.
 - Bear hunting—Bill to write letter opposing hunting sows with cubs
 - Tracking conservation-related developments – Reviewing town documents and minutes.
 - Library conservation collection – Following up on opportunities for books and conservation literature at the library. Christine and Bill will visit library to discuss with new librarian.
 - Bear hunting – Will be writing a letter to the State focused on new bear sow hunting laws.
 - Debbie reported on a program she attended with Vermont Coverts, shared materials, including “For the Future of Your Forest” and VNRC’s “Community Strategies for Vermont’s Forests and Wildlife.”

- Programs:
 - Speakers / Events – Might be a future Audubon speaker.
 - Newsletter – Monthly is published.
 - Website / email listing – Phil is addressing issue with potentially fake addresses

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