

Conservation Commission Minutes

2/13/23

Meeting convened at 6:08 pm.

Present: Chris Fithian, Steve Frackleton, Colleen Ryan, Craig Billie

New business:

1. The Commission received a copy of the NH Municipal Conservation Commission Handbook and a request for an annual update to the NH Association of Conservation Commission. Chris will provide the update.
2. Commission submitted its annual report to the town last week.
3. Commission agreed to set up a calendar to track annual events and responsibilities. Colleen will create a spreadsheet of annual events in the Google Drive (and possibly a calendar with one-time events, as well).
4. Steve has volunteered to be the Bartlett organizer for the Valley Pride Day cleanup. The Commission discussed ways to promote the event and engage more participation in all of the cleanups, with three planned per year: Valley Pride in the spring, a river cleanup in the summer, and a second roadside cleanup in November (preferably coordinating with DOT to make sure we do the cleanup before they mow, to avoid shredded trash).
 - Colleen will contact the PTO and/or the school to see if the school would like to be involved with Valley Cleanup Day, either by organizing an event for the kids or by promoting the event to families. Does the school have an ecology or community service club?
 - Chris will talk to Attitash, and Steve will contact Storyland to coordinate, as these are the two major businesses that participate in the Adopt-A-Highway program.
 - The commission will reach out to other local businesses for support and/or promotion assistance.
5. Steve proposed the idea of hosting an amnesty day at the dump to encourage people to clean up their property.

Old business

1. The Selectmen indicated that they would support reappointment of Chris and Colleen, whose terms expired in 2022.

Meeting adjourned at 7:01 pm.

Next month's meeting will be at 6:00 on Tuesday, March 14.