Town of Londonderry

Conservation Commission Agenda October 15, 2020, 5:00pm VIA ZOOM MEETING

Minutes

- 1) Call Meeting to Order
 - a) Meeting begins at 5:12pm.
 - b) In attendance Irwin Kuperberg, Steve Swinburne, Helen Hamman, Jane MacKugler
- 2) Additions or Deletions to the Agenda
- 3) Approval of the August 2020 Draft of Minutes
 - a) Jane makes a motion to accept minutes as presented, Steve seconds, all in favor
- 4) Old Business
 - a. West River Trail historical signage update
 - Steve & Sunny (LCC), Mimi Wright (Historical Society), Sharon Crossman (Friends of the West River Trail) & Bob Ellis met to discuss signage at the Depot.
 - ii. The group agreed upon an introductory map on building featuring the river with markers for smaller signs.
 - iii. Irwin expressed concern that the side of the Depot is not a visual focus for most hikers. As an introduction to the trail and the additional trail side signs it will not serve it's main purpose.
 - iv. Follow up, Bob is going to assess cost. Sunny is going to talk to Lucy Prouty about designing big sign. Steve & Sunny's writing will be used on secondary markers.
 - b. Future programs- webcasts
 - i. Hunting/Conservation- Kyle Isherwood
 - 1. Tuesday October 20 at 7pm
 - 2. We will upload to our Youtube page.
 - ii. Vermont's land use history and its effect on wildlife- Kim Royar
 - 1. Fur bearing specialist for VT Fish and Wildlife
 - 2. She is going to be speaking on November 10 at 7pm
 - 3. Steve is working on a press release
 - iii. Coyote Presentation?
 - 1. Helen will have a discussion with Project Coyote Fostering Coexistence www.projectcoyote.org
 - They have a movie we could screen for free "American Coyote -Still Wild At Heart"
 - 3. Possibly in February
 - iv. Subnivean Zone Fauna presentation for January.
 - 1. Tom Rogers at the Nature Conservancy

- 2. Helen will finalize date, possibly January 11 or 18.
- 5) New Business
 - i. Owl presentation with VT Institute of Natural Science.
 - 1. Steve taking the lead.
 - 2. Date TBD.
- 6) Wildlife Sightings
 - a. Common mergansers, purple finches, yellow finches, gold finches, red finches, sapsucker, 5 monarch chrysalis, 25 turkeys, robins, widgeon, deer, fox, geese
- 7) Adjourn
 - a. 5:50pm
 - b. Next meeting Thursday, November 19, 2020.