

TOWN OF COLEBROOK

CONSERVATION COMMISSION SPECIAL MEETING

FEBRUARY 11, 2020

Members present: Joyce Hemingson, Ed Lestinsky, Matt Klimkosky, Robbie Lawton

Meeting called to order at 7:02 pm. Motion to approve minutes from last meeting moved by Joyce, seconded by all.

Officer and Committee reports: none

Old Business:

- Cooper Trail: As discussed last month, Shayne is going to varnish the sign, make a roof and put it by the trail head. We looked at kiosks that the Norfolk Land Trust has recently installed at the beginning of trails.
- Pollinator garden: Robbie reviewed the grants available from the Northwest CCC Foundation. Next step is to call for a copy of the application. In the spring, we will stake out a preliminary bed, and make a plan. Another step is to visit local nurseries which stock native plants.
- April Clean-up Day – Saturday, April 25th, from 9-11. Next steps include publicity, including email and newsletter communication. Tom will send out a notice and if people would like, they can sign up for their road or roads ahead of time by emailing Karen Odell. Garbage bags will be provided by the town and people can leave the bags on the road where the road crew will pick them up.
- CT Trails Day: Sunday, June 7 to be our CT Trails Day, from 2-4 pm. Joyce and Shayne will be the leaders; Joyce will put up the signs for plants and perhaps some inspirational quotes about walking on trails. We will again have food. We will be included on the website as well as the brochure. The link to the CT Trails Day site is:

<https://www.ctwoodlands.org/ct-trails-weekend/events-2020/colebrook-nature-walk-record-5823>

New Business:

- There will be no meeting in March.
- The CT Siting Council will be making a decision on BNE Energy's request to build a third turbine. Eversource will be upgrading wires and poles to connect the existing two turbines to the Riverton Substation, which will require tree cutting along a number of Colebrook roads.

Meeting adjourned at 7:55 - moved by Matt, seconded by Ed.

REMINDER: NO MEETING ON MARCH 11, 2020