

Colebrook Conservation Commission
Minutes from January 13, 2026

Members present: Joyce Hemingson, Michael Corbin, Linda Bickford

- A. Call to order 7:07 pm
- B. Minutes from October 14, 2025 approved
- C. Officer and Committee reports:

Michael attended the CACIWC conference in November. He attended several seminars and found them to be quite interesting.

Cooper Trail- nothing to report

Pollinator Garden: Needs some editing this spring. Larger plants need to be moved out. The knotweed that grows at the side of the garden has been sprayed by the town so possibly a few of the perennials might have been sprayed, as well. Joyce also wants to ask the gardening group at the Senior Center to get involved.

Japanese Knotweed collaboration: Colebrook is one of five area towns that are banding together to help control the spread of knotweed. The state is spraying the knotweed along state roads but we need to approach homeowners to offer help. We need a community outreach program, similar to what Norfolk is doing.

D. Old Business

The Pisgah Mtn. Road committee met today- Bill Jasmin and Brad Bremer are putting an application into the Inland Wetlands Commission for six culvert repairs. Work to be done later this year. They will use $\frac{3}{4}$ inch processed gravel and native brown stone. There will be gates at both ends of the road. Brad is also putting a line item back into the town budget for unimproved roads.

Beaver Pond Walk at USACE property on Rt. 8 will be held the weekend of June 6 or 7 to celebrate CT Trails Day.

E. New Business:

Colebrook Clean-up Day will be Saturday, April 25.

Brief discussion on how to attract new members.

The Commission will request \$400 as its budget for the coming fiscal year.

Meeting adjourned at 8:00 pm.

Respectfully submitted,
Linda Bickford, Acting Secretary