

ARROWSIC CONSERVATION COMMISSION MINUTES

September 17, 2019

Present: Phine Ewing (Chair), Noreen Blaiklock, Paul Schlein, Clarke Cooper, Susan Fenn, Jesse McMahon, Karen Dowell, Karen Robbins

1. The meeting was called to order at 5:04PM.
2. The minutes of the August 20, 2019 meeting were accepted as written.
3. Results from the e-coli test were returned at less than 1 MPN/100ml. This is within swimmable limits. This bill will be paid from the Conservation Commission budget. The last water quality samples will be collected October 8th by Phine and Karen.
4. Sewall Pond clean up patrol is finished for the season.
5. Sewall Pond Conservation Area: A work session is scheduled for September 24th at 2PM. Jesse has some rocks that may work for the rockscaping.
6. Water Access: John Wood has determined that the R.O.W. across the property being considered isn't an exclusive R.O.W. Phine will continue the conversations with Bob Ater.
7. Picture Post Project: Some pressure treated 4 X 4's have been donated for the actual posts.
8. Going forward, the Planning Board and the Select Board have agreed to keep the Conservation Commission involved in any discussions about the tree cutting provisions of the Shoreland Ordinance. A combined meeting is to be scheduled in the future.
9. Fall Field Trip: The trip will be November 10th at 9:30AM; meet at the Town Hall to car pool. Phine will speak with Mark Jorgensen and Karen will speak to David Lapp about accessing their properties so we can walk the old woods road AKA Old Main Rd.
10. Nature's Notes: Everyone reports lots of monarchs, crickets and grasshoppers. Jesse had a coyote in her yard and Susan had a coyote and turkey vulture feeding on a deer carcass. Susan also had 25+ Eastern swallowtail larva eating her parsley. They prefer herbs. Many Fall web worm webs have been noticed along the roadways. Noreen has seen a painted lady butterfly with slightly different coloration and wonders if we have a sub race locally. Phine had a humming bird bonk her in the head while she was in her garden.
11. The meeting was adjourned at 6:11PM.
12. The next meeting will be October 15, 2019 at 5 PM at the Arrowsic Town Hall.

Respectfully submitted,

Karen Robbins
Acting Secretary