ARROWSIC CONSERVATION COMMMISSION MINUTES
August 16, 2016

Present: Phine Ewing (chair), Clarke Cooper, Paul Schlein, Mildred Stafford, Noreen Blaiklock, Ralph Pope, Karen Robbins

1. The meeting was called to order at 5:00 PM.
2. The minutes of the July 19, 2016 meeting were approved as amended.
3. Members that attended the August 2, 2016 Consortium meeting reported on the field trip to Clough's Point and the focus on energy efficiency going forward. A meeting with Efficiency Maine representatives is expected in the next couple of months. Phippsburg is coordinating the meeting.
4. Phine and Karen met with the Select Board about the letter of introduction. The Select Board has reached out to other department chairs for additional introductory information.
5. Phine spoke to Doug Kulis and he reports IF&W doesn't have a standard sign for Sewall Pond. Ralph will follow up with a sign maker and have the wording from the fishing regulations printed on a sign.
6. HETL has returned the water quality results for the 2016 season so far:

DATE	TOTAL PHOSPHORUS	CHLOROPHYLL α
May	23	0.01
Jun	28	0.012
July	43*	0.0089
August	23	0.011

7. Note: * HETL reported that this reading is out of quality assurance range and should be discarded.
8. Water Testing and Litter Schedule: Water quality—Phine and Karen 8/30, Ralph and Karen 9/13, Litter—8/20 Clarke, 8/27 Ralph, 9/4 Phine, 9/10 Paul, 9/18 Ralph
9. Phine will be traveling September 20th and Noreen will chair the meeting.
10. Nature's Notes: Clarke reported small mammal trapping is finishing at the Holt Forest and this year's numbers are low, last year's were the fourth highest. Last year 80% of the ticks tested positive for Lyme's. Ralph has a jack-o-lantern mushroom in his yard. Millie hasn't seen any Japanese beetles this year. Paul's red-bellied wood peckers have fledged.
11. The next meeting is September 20, 2016 at the Arrowsic Town Hall at 5PM.
12. The meeting was adjourned at 5:45 PM.

Respectfully submitted,
Karen Robbins, Acting Secretary