

Arrowsic Conservation Commission - May 16, 2011

Present: Phine Ewing, Noreen Blaiklock, Karen Robbins, Milly Stafford, Nancy Sferra, Ralph Pope

Minutes for March and April were accepted as amended.

Andrea Galuza couldn't come to the meeting so our discussion about water access was tabled.

All of the roads in town got cleaned up with the exception of Stone Tree, Sirois and some of the smaller roads. We ended up with 34 volunteers (at least) helping with the cleanup including some youngsters. There didn't seem to be as much trash as usual.

Ralph brought in a sample of hemlock wooly adelgid collected from Bald Head Road.

Phine passed around a list of invasives to be referenced in the zoning ordinance as species that can be removed from shoreland zone and can't be planted.

There are some openings in the alewife schedule. We seem to be getting more fish in the afternoon compared to last year. We are currently at about 2400 fish for the season, more than we got in 2010. Charlie Hudson is working on getting camera gear together to photograph fish in the culvert to see if they get up the culvert. Theo came to take 60 pectoral fin samples from the fish in our trap.

Milly will clean up Sewall Pond at the end of Memorial Day weekend and June 11 and 12; Phine will do cleanup on June 4, Ralph will do June 18 and 19
June 7 water testing - Phine and Karen; phosphorus testing
June 21 - Ralph and Noreen

Karen asked if we should comment on our position for legislative bills. Ralph is willing to send information out to the conservation commission. Karen asked about whether we should comment on the RGGI bill as a commission and we wondered whether we are set up to respond to legislation.

Meeting adjourned at 8:00.

Respectfully submitted,

Nancy Sferra