

ARROWSIC CONSERVATION COMMISSION MINUTES

February 21, 2017

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

1. The meeting was called to order at 5:03 PM
2. The minutes of the January 17, 2017 meeting were accepted as amended.
3. The annual report and budget are due to the Select Board. It was decided to ask for the same \$400 as in years past. Phine will draft the annual report for the next meeting.
4. Phine will be away for the March meeting and Noreen will act as chair.
5. Phine is in the process of canvassing identified individuals to determine if they would be able to serve. The Commission will continue to think about and talk to people before making recommendations to the Select Board.
6. There is a continuing request to have a Conservation Commission web site and Paul has suggested topics to be incorporated. Clarke will work on it with Paul Kaulkstein.
7. Phine will be attending the brown-tail moth presentation tomorrow night at the Patten Free Library. The Commission will continue to monitor the situation and refer residents to the article published in the last Arrow.
8. The state has been declared drought free since the last snow storm. The Commission has decided to continue with the well head survey. It will be sent out with the Annual Report in May. Clarke expects the website to be up and running by then, so that, those who prefer will be able to respond on-line.
9. Road side clean-up was discussed. Phine will speak to the Recycling committee about the Recycling Committee becoming the coordinating committee.
10. The Conservation Consortium Committee met and the next meeting is March 14th at the Phippsburg Town Hall.
11. Nature's Notes: Paul reports seeing large red squirrel middens in Georgetown. Clarke is not seeing as much ice in the river as in years past. There has been a king fisher on the power lines at the culvert just south of Fisher Eddy the past several mornings. Noreen has 5-6 blue birds that showed up at her house starting around the 23^d or 24th.
12. The meeting was adjourned at 6:20 PM.
13. The next meeting is March 21, 2017 at 5 PM at the Town Hall.

Respectfully submitted,

Karen Robbins
Acting Secretary