

Litchfield Conservation Commission

Meeting Minutes
November 9, 2017

Minutes approved 4/25/2018

Opening

The Monthly meeting of the Conservation Commission was called to order at 7:05 PM by Tom Levesque, Chairman.

Present

Tom Levesque, Joan McKibben, Sharon Jones, Marion Godzik, Roger St. Laurent, Harry Menzigian - Alternate, Jack Curtin - Alternate, Matt Lepore -Alternate, Michael Croteau

Public: Andrew Thompson, Litchfield Resident

Absent

Richard Husband
Kevin Bourque, Selectmen's Rep

I. Old Business:

NHACC Annual Meeting, November 4, 2017 Jack Curtin and Matt Lepore in attendance, both attended three workshops.

Conservation Corp – Andrew Thompson is attendance interested in working with LCC, Mr. Thompson has been living in Litchfield for three months, he has a GIS background. Joan McKibben mentions LCC needs help with trail ma [Date] king, Mrs. McKibben will arrange a 'windshield' tour with Mr. Thompson and our newest LCC members.

Clean up 3A – LCC to do big spring cleanup

II. New Business:

Possible new project – Jack Curtin Bird Houses- Jack Curtin has researched a project for 20 birdhouses to put on Conservation Properties. How- The plan would have the Boy Scouts build them, ordered The Birdhouse Depot website. Where – Litchfield Presbyterian Church where the Boy Scouts hold their meetings. Cost -\$400. approximately \$15.11 per bird house. Possible funding – 1.) LCC, 2.) Local Business donations of \$20, 3.) Donations from the public. Roger St. Laurent mentions Moore's Falls needs new birdhouses. Joan McKibben mentions the bird houses need to be hole size specific for the particular species we are trying to attract, and the bird houses would need to be cleaned yearly in February. Harry Menzigian asks how would they be put up, on poles or on trees. Poles would be the preferred method. Joan McKibben mentions Jack Pinciario the Road Agent might be able to help put

up the poles. Roger St. Laurent mentions he uses steel conduit poles, Harry Menzigian uses PVC. LCC loves the idea of the projects and asks Jack Curtin to further check into possible funding. Joan McKibben will look at our budget. LCC has a bat box that needs to be put up as well.

Hillsborough County Cooperative Extension - Joan McKibben is meeting with Friday 11/10 to update Town owned parcels. Joan McKibben will update the Town owned land in Hillsborough and Rockingham counties for the GRANIT GIS Data.

III. Other Business:

Rainfall report, Roger St. Laurent – September 7.9”, October 14.7” , 5 inches alone on the 30th.

Other items for review or discussion:

Matt Lepore – possible project – Matt spoke to the Litchfield Police Chief, since LCC knows the woods, we could be a resource in case someone were to get lost in the woods.

Approval of Minutes

To be addressed in December

Adjournment

Marion Godzik Motions to adjourn, Roger St. Laurent seconds the Motion, 9-0-0 (unanimous)

Minutes respectfully submitted by: Sharon M. Jones, Secretary