

***Minutes for the April 26, 2017 Alexandria
Conservation Commission Meeting**
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Call meeting to order at 6:35pm by Chairman Ernie Lamos

Members present: Ernie Lamos, Jennifer Tuthill, George Whittaker, Tom Larson, Kim Sharp, Merry Ruggirello

Excused: Steve Whitman, Ron McLean

Absent:

BOS representative present: Bob Piehler

Approve minutes from 29 March mtg: motion to accept minutes as presented was made by Tom Larson and 2nd by Jennifer Tuthill. Motion passed unanimously.

Financials:

- Ernie reported that an Operating Budget of \$14,000
- The balance in the Conservation Fund account as of March 31, 2017 is \$18, 761.76

Permits: none

Old Business

Status of kiosk at Barrett Park on Bog Road:

1. Ernie will call Kate to arrange date for dedication of the kiosk.
Status: Ernie is planning to call Kate soon.
2. George Whittaker's geological survey map of the bog area for the kiosk.
Status: The map is printed and ready to put in kiosk as soon as the kiosk has had the backing is mounted and some fasteners are installed to keep the doors closed.
3. Kiosk Signs- Status: The signs are being made in Franklin and will be done soon they cost \$70.00 which is t paid out of the ACC account.

Other Old Business:

1. Trout Unlimited letter.
Status: The letter was written by Tom Larson and submitted to the BOS for their consideration.
2. Distribution and Sale of the new NRI:

Jennifer has notified the Chairs of the ACCs in the towns of Bristol, Bridgewater, Hill, Hebron, Danbury, Orange and Grafton that there is copy of the NRI for Alexandria available to them. At the Alexandria Town office building.

3. Town Forest/ Conserved lands questionnaire:

Kim, Jenny and Ernie met with representative from the UNH Extension to provide him with info for mapping purposes on Alexandria Town Owned property of more than 10 acres. These properties are the Town Forest and another parcel which abuts Barrett Park. Future maps from the UNH extension will show these properties as being under the oversight of the Conservation Commission.

New Business:

1. **By-Law Changes:** Motion was made by Jennifer and 2nd by Merry to vote.
Voted unanimously to incorporate By Law changes into the By Laws as accepted at March mtg.
2. **Election of Officers:** Motion was made by Jennifer and 2nd by Merry to vote.
Voted to Re-Elect Ernie as Chairman, Jennifer as Vice Chairman and Tom Larson as Secretary.
3. The date of Thursday May 4, was set as the day to clean up the Knotweed at Barrett Park.
Beginning at 9:00am and continuing for as long as needed. Come for as long as you can.
4. Kim Sharp has made 3 very nice signs for the Town Forest. His work is very much appreciated by all on the committee.
5. Discussion about members visiting a town owned property George called the "Bird Sanctuary"
No one on the committee was aware of this property and several expressed an interest in going to check it out. No date was set to do this.

Motion to adjourn, by Jennifer and 2nd by George Whittaker.

Our next meeting will be May 31, 2017