Foster Conservation Commission



Town of Foster Benjamin Eddy Building 6 South Killingly Road Foster, RI 02825

Meeting Minutes

Monday, September 11, 2023 At 6:30 p.m. Benjamin Eddy Building

A. Call to order/Roll call

Meeting called to order at 6:30 P.M.

Members in attendance: Rathbun, McClellan, Payne, Therrian, Zahansky, Galligan

B. Approval of Minutes May 2023

Action: Minutes approved: Therrian/Zahansky; Motion Carried Unanimously

C. Reports

• Land Trust Liaison

Lots finished; Litigation related to the dam on the Dunbar property; 3 issues with flooding related to beaver dams, discussion related to trapping; bow hunting acreage up by 232- Tom Woods land to the area to the north; in total now open to hunting appx. 500 acres w/22 permits issued so far this year

- *Recycling Liaison* No update
- *Social Media Liaison* We are up to 469 followers on Facebook; articles on littering, buying nothing

D. *Public Comments*

No Public comment

E. Correspondence

No correspondence

F. Old Business

Budget review – discussion on the town allocation.

Earth Day 2023 – Dave shared a letter of thanks related to solicitation of grant funds

G. New Business

Review of letter Dave will be sending to the Town Council related to recycling – written response to Council's request to prepare a recycling flyer to promote better practices. Motion made to approve the letter as presented by Dave

Motion: Therrian/Payne; Motion Carried Unanimously

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Planning for the 2024 Earth Day Clean up and Conservation Fair; once again we will work backwards on the schedule; brainstorming on other civic groups potentially being engaged in the day; Library was mentioned as possibly handing out books (book collection as well?) Return of High School group(s) – such as FFA

Trees, annuals, perennials again this year

Want to have some type of "buy-nothing" as part of the program – possibly a "free yard sale" Kathy agreed that she would be interested in spearheading this effort

H. Future Agenda Items

- Earth Day Planning
- I. Future Conservation Commission Projects
 - Open to new ideas
- J. Adjournment

Meeting adjourned at 8:04 P.M.

McClellan/Zahansky; Motion Carried Unanimously

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED on behalf of the Commission,

M. Galligan, Recording Secretary

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