

Town of Warren
Conservation Commission
Zoom Mtg

October 12, 2021

Present: Jito Coleman, Amy Polaczyk, Damon Reed, Carolyn Schipa, Kate Wanner, Rocky Blier, Taylor Corrigan

Meeting called to order at 7:17 pm

- 1) No news on Knotweed news. Jito to send summary to VR.
 - o Rocky suggests educational signage along river give people incentive and instructions to remove knotweed at swimming holes (good tritown mtg topic)
- 2) Conservation Lands Update - GMNF near plunkton for sale and MR Riders hoping to conserve. Lincoln Peak parcel conserved in part by WCC to transfer to GMNF by end of year. Discussion of opportunities for the myer/ hines parcels - conservation in deed, purchase but a public/private land trust.
 - o How to create wildlife sanctuaries like in Maine?
 - o These appear to be included specifically and individually in Maine State Statute: <https://www.mainelegislature.org/legis/statutes/12/title12sec12706.htm>
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- 3) Trails update - planning commission needs to be the liaison to voice concerns about trails development. Jito to reach out to Selectboard to hear their position.
 - o Safety Concern of not posting hunting season at trail heads
 - o landowners and abutters complaining about bike riders - the numbers and behavior
- 4) Amy and Carolyn to talk and then get with Margo on Bears
 - o Casella currently has no Bear-proof dumpsters
 - o Sue Morris to speak?
 1. Tri-town group could all donate to support
 2. Fish and Wildlife staff would speak for free
- 5) No news on Zoning
- 6) Budget discussion next meeting, think of activities we'd like to plan for next year.
- 7) Blueberry lake need to make a brushhog run at them and cut back blueberry bushes.

Jito has two contacts with walk-behinds.

- o Amy glad to organize workday in spring.

8) Next meeting is tentatively scheduled for November 9th @ 7pm.

Meeting concluded at 7:52pm

cc: Selectboard, PC, DRB, MRVPD, Waitsfield CC, Fayston CCweb, post