

JOHNSON CONSERVATION COMMISSION
MEETING MINUTES
JUNE 12, 2018

Present: Lois Frey, Sue Lovering, Dean Locke, Noel Dodge
Absent: Eric Nuse, Hillary Emick, Jackie Stanton, Denise Krause
On leave: Laura Branca

There was no quorum tonight. No new decisions were made but good discussion took place.

GOMO BRUSH HOGGING

Roy Marble isn't able to do it this year but did set a price guideline. Dave Lamell is interested. Eric plans to take him up to Gomo and show him what needs to be done, which will enable Dave to give us a price.

TREASURER'S REPORT

We have \$4200 in the bank, which is earmarked for brush hogging, kiosks, trail signage and work, and kiosk accoutrements. As previously decided, the reserve fund of \$1799 has been put into our new protected Conservation Reserve Fund. Lois and Bob Frey have donated \$700.19 to the fund, bringing its total to \$2500.

Noel suggested that we publicize the Reserve Fund at tax time.

We're slated to receive \$1500 on July 1.

TUESDAY NIGHT LIVE

Sue said it was a lot more fun last year when people helped out with TNL displays. We need to establish a schedule of subjects for displays each Tuesday; hopefully, CC members will pitch in and do a display. Sue will kick it off talking about wildflowers on July 10 and will do one about the EAB threat at some point. We can ask Ann Marie Bahr if she'd like to reprise her show about geology, since she was rained out last year.

FLASHDRIVES

Lois will get heavy duty flashdrives on which to store CC information. Dean suggested an external hard drive and he'll send Lois specs for purchasing two of them of appropriate capacity.

BEARD'S

Some members of the public have asked about cutting the grass at Beard's. The CC recommends mowing only the path at Beard's Recreation and leaving the field wild. It is a class 3 wetland and unsuitable for brush hogging. As well, it serves a better purpose as a haven for pollinators.

KIOSKS AND TRAILS

Laraway won't be able to build kiosks after all, so we decided to do it ourselves. (Oh boy! A group project!) We can sink posts first, then measure and make plans for simple kiosks with roofs. They'll be smaller than the one at Journey's End.

Sue will get covered map holders for the Prindle, Journey's End, Gomo, and Talc kiosks and two larger covered holders for sign-in books to be installed at Journeys End and Gomo.

We'll mark wildflowers and trees at Journey's End along the trail. Sue will research and order tags and markers for this.

YUMMYUMS

Dean made the most delectable individual lemon glazed pound cakes with blueberries that were soooo yummy and beautiful to boot. Sue and Lois brought cookies that paled in comparison. Thank you, Dean; you're a treasure!

Adjourned at 8:35

The next meeting will be on Thursday, July 19 at 6:30 at the Library. Please note that we are now on our summer schedule of Thursdays in July and August.

Submitted by Sue Lovering, Secretary