Burke Conservation Commission Minutes

Jan. 15, 2020 6-7pm

In attendance: Kevin, Cathie, Elise, Chris, Rick.

Notes: Kevin

Minutes from December Meeting: approved.

Upcoming Event: Jan 29 6:30pm in Burke Senior Meal Site in West Burke

Topic: Energy conservation for the home. "Heat Squad" with Ann Lawless.

Refreshments will be served.

Pete's Pond

Elise is working on grant funding and will reach out to one foundation to get details on their application. The question revolves around 501c3 status versus being a town entity in the grant application.

Chris will call Lussier's real estate in response to a call Hank received.

Act 171

Land use planning law to protect forest blocks greater than 20 acres. It is voluntary and if enacted would mean that town's cannot regulate forest activities.

Rick will coalesce the information he has gathered (he and Elise sat in on a webinar) and share with the Burke planning commission.

Emerald Ash Borer

Roadside assessment/survey of Ash trees in town.

There was interest in the commission to revisit this issue for possible springtime and summer surveys on town roads

Other

Elise closed out the grant for the town forest through AVCC.

Chris reported that K. Kresser is still interested in helping us with social media should we need it.