

Town of Burke

Draft minutes of Conservation Commission meeting June 17, 2020

Present: Elise Lawson, Chris Manges, Cathy Wheeler, Ric Prescott, Joan Harlowe

Also Present: Matt Langlais

Minutes of the May 2020 meeting were approved.

Darling Park Brochures: We reviewed the current copy, and decided it needed to be updated. Elise will get digital copies from the Town Office. Matt suggested we work with Kingdom Trails as they are trying to do more education projects in Burke. Elise will send a copy of the draft pamphlet to Matt to distribute for updates.

Mike Harris: Elise spoke with Mike Harris, the Town's new Administrator. The BCC is looking forward to working with him, and would like to coordinate with other town boards and commissions. We will invite Mike to our regular meeting in July.

Ash training with Matt Langlais: The focus of the meeting was on identifying ash in our area in order to plan ahead for the Emerald Ash Borer infestation. Matt showed us how to recognize ash trees and lent us Biltmore sticks which help determine the diameter and height of trees we find on Darling Hill Road. In July, Matt Clark of Whiteout Solutions, Inc. will survey the same area with a drone, and we can compare our findings. We will survey on foot along the road from the Lyndon townline to the Newark townline along Darling Hill and Burke Green Roads. We will inventory trees along the town 25 foot right of way on both sides.

Next meeting: July 15 at 6:00. Place to be determined.

Respectfully submitted,
Joan Harlowe
