

Charlestown Conservation Commission meeting 17 Jun, 13

Members Present: Dick Holmes, Jim Fowler, Steve Dumont, Steve Neill (ex officio)

7:05 PM called to order by Steve Dumont chair

minutes of 20 May 13 meeting approved as printed.

1) Various updates

- a) Steve Dumont received call from land owner of 405 Unity Stage Road asking about cutting two trees on his property 400 or 500 feet from the Little Sugar River. Steve checked with Dave Edkins and the Shore Line Protection Act. No limitations at that distance from the water. Steve informed the landowner.
- b) Ann Fletcher from the Orchard School in Alstead called Steve Dumont looking for the ConCom to provide a scholarship for a Charlestown resident to attend the school. Steve asked for a dollar amount and she is supposed to get back to him. Steve Neill thinks they should approach the Rotary.
- c) Nature Trail – Lew Shelley of SCA walked the trail found and nothing he is interested in working on. Jim Fowler discussed the entrance to the trail. He weed-wacked the knotweed back. He thinks that maybe black-plastic and crushed stones will keep the knotweed out of the trail.
- d) Peter Lawry sent a letter requesting Steve Dumont sign off on the hours Peter worked for the ConCom. Steve did.
- e) Dick Lincourt sent Steve Dumont an email about discussion at the Planning Board.
 - 1) Dick asked about river bank erosion on Connecticut as part of the Charlestown Hazard Mitigation Plan. Discussion.
 - 2) He also asked about the Giant hogweed on Rt 12 south of town. Steve Neill said it was proven not to be hogweed but is still hazardous but not to the level of giant hogweed. New Hampshire DOT and the Cooperative Extension know about the plant.
- f) Black River Action Team plan a Connecticut River cleanup for Oct 4 and 5. ConCom thinks we should get involved. Steve Dumont to get more information.

2) Correspondence – Steve Dumont reviewed correspondence received since last meeting including:

- a) Dick Holmes received letter from state asking for us to renew our Adopt-a-Highway agreement. Motion made and passed to renew the agreement.

Adjourned 8:00 PM

Minutes submitted by Jim Fowler secretary

minutes approved by Steve Dumont chair

Steve Dumont

date