

Falmouth Conservation Commission
Minutes of March 26, 2012

Meeting convened at 7:00 PM

Members Present: Mel Dickenson, Nancy Lightbody, Jerry Goodall, Colin Jones, Susan Gilpin

Potential New Member: Sarah Beaudreau

Members Absent:

Minutes: March 5th minutes approved.

Discussion:

Mel mentioned openings for new members and Sarah is considering becoming a member.

Presentation/Discussion:

A. Open Space:

1. Mel reported that a comprehensive 10 year plan is being drawn and the FCC will have some input.
2. There will be a Bio Blitz at River Point Park June 29th & 30th. The Biodiversity Institute will be leading workshops on bird identification.
3. Mel reported that the situation on mitigation property for the nature trail remains the unchanged.
4. Mel reported that the Conservation Corp has 3 people licensed to apply herbicides.

B. Stormwater program: Mel reported on the Impervious Cover Issue on Route #1. This is the problem of stormwater containing pollutants flowing from the shopping center to Mill Creek and then into Mussell Cove.

1. A plan has been submitted to the Town Engineer and FCC is a project partner.

C. Planning Board: Colin reported that only minor projects have come before the Board.

D. Invasive Plant Species:

1. Nancy presented the latest draft of the newspaper insert/brochure and welcomed suggestions. Good suggestions were received and will be incorporated into the brochure. We will try to have the final draft at our next FCC meeting.
2. Sarah will investigate giving presentations on invasive plants to local garden clubs.
3. Susan will ask the Tidewater Association to allow us to make a presentation on invasive plants to them.
4. We will try to put the brochure into a power point program.

The Next meeting of the Commission will be on Monday May 7.

Meeting adjourned at 8:30PM.

Submitted by Jerry Goodall