

Lee Conservation Commission Minutes of Meeting of June 5, 2017

Present Members: Catherine Fisher, Antoinette Hartgerink, Bill Humm (Chair), David Meeker, Tim Moody, Anne Tappan

Alternate Member: Amanda Gourgue

Approval of Previous Minutes: Minutes of meeting held on May 1, 2017, approved as written.

Updates and Announcements:

LCC Bank Balance: The balance in the LCC account as of May 31, 2017, was \$ composed of

LCC Funds	\$
Dave Allan Fund	\$

ZBA Report: A. Hartgerink reported that the ZBA granted the requested variances on the Hutton property, Coppal House Farm, and the Lilyestrom property, 19 Caldwell Lane.

Easement Monitoring: Monitoring visits on the Aldag, Barth, Crosbie, Jenkins, Grumbling, and Sanborn easements have been completed without finding any item of concern. Visits are planned to the Verrette (6/7), Brady (6/14), Hutton (6/21), and Blickle/Chisholm (6/28) easements.

Education and Outreach: C. Fisher reported that the Frog and Woodcock Walks were well attended. She also stated that, unfortunately, the only woodcock in attendance was too short of breath to give a flight display. The **easement walk in the Town Forest** co-led by SPNHF and Catherine Fisher is scheduled for August 5.

Conservation Lands Management: The Commission agreed to authorize Randy Stevens to rent and use equipment necessary for the removal of the saplings, shrubs, and invasive plants in the old orchard within the **Town Forest**. C. Fisher reported that the trash in the Forest has been removed with the efforts of Mr. McCormick's second grade class from Mastway School. The rudimentary trail in the **Old Mill Reserve** will be explored with the abutter who has expressed interest in it. The Eagle Scout project led by Jack Hall in the **Little River Reserve** is underway with the help of C. Fisher, A. Gourgue, B. Humm, and A. Hartgerink. After visiting the site it was decided that there is not sufficient parking for the trail to have two entry ways and the trail head will be set on Thompson Mill Road.

OLD BUSINESS:

SPNHF Powder Major Farm Celebration: The celebration is scheduled for Thursday, June 8, at 4 PM. As Lee is expected to receive acknowledgement of its contribution to the project, B. Humm will ask members of the Select Board to attend.

NEW BUSINESS:

Election of Officers: Bill Humm was elected Chair of the Commission for 2017 and David Meeker was elected to serve as Secretary and Treasurer.

Contribution to Southeast Land Trust: A motion to increase the Commission's membership contribution to SELT to \$250 was made and passed unanimously.

Next Meeting: July 3, 2017

Submitted By _____
David Meeker