

Marshfield Conservation Commission
5 April 2023 173rd Meeting
at Old Schoolhouse Common
MINUTES

Members Present: Taber Allison, Luke Boushee, Steve Fiske, Ed Jalbert, Bradley Materick, Anne Miller, Sarah Norton, Bob Popp, and Annie Reed

Minutes: March Minutes approved unanimously as presented.

Treasurer's Report

- Bradley has form for continuing our membership in AVCC, \$50 for a year

Administrative :

- Bradley has a key for the new room
- Town is looking into a WiFi booster for the new room
- Training on Open Meeting Law on April 19, 2023 from 10-11:30. Presented by VLCT
- Ed and Annie have been reappointed to another term
- Officers:
 - Chair: Bradley
 - Secretary: Bob
 - Vice Chair: Steve
 - Treasurer: Luke

Review of Vision & Goals

- It is time to reflect on new goals now that inventory is completed
- Agreed to meet on **Wed, May 17th at 7**. Encouraged to attend community dinner beforehand
- Sara is willing to facilitate the meeting.

Natural Resource Inventory: **Presentation on Weds May 3rd at 7**

- Sara presented flyers that she designed with art work by Ed and Adelaide Murphy
- Publicity:
 - Front Porch Forum: Taber
 - Flyers in library, Coop, Post Office. Anne
 - Town, Library and Marshfield Outdoor recreation websites. Bradley
 - Radio announcement on WGDR. Anne & Sara
 - Set Up: Bob, Annie, Luke, Taber, Anne, Sara at 6:30
 - We'd like to get an advanced copy of the final report prior to the presentation and would print one of more copies for town use, i.e. library, select bd.
 - Need to know the level of mapping in the report
 - Introduction Taber or Bob
 - Use forum to announce field trips & get contact information
 - Refreshments:
 - Bob, Taber, Steve** snacks
 - Luke** cider
 - Bradley** cups

Martin Covered Bridge Mgt Plan

- SB supported moratorium on haying but wanted to discuss issue with person doing the cutting first
- Not likely to brushhog in the future
- SB is apparently not willing to stop haying for a year since have a license agreement but this is only a verbal agreement that included an off limits area which may have been cut.
- **Bradley and Bob** will pursue with SB.
- May need to get out to site early to flag areas that should not be cut
- Bradley requested that **send comments** to him on the overall mgt plan goals.

Plant Sale:

- Distribution on Sunday the 30th at OSC.
- Have 3 volunteers form other towns. From MCC ?????
- Packing on Sat 29th at 2 at Bram Tobins on Middle Rd. **Steve Bob others????**
- Digging elderberries and raspberry at Annie's. Time tbd
- Anne will be stepping down as lead for the sale.

Pollinator Garden

- To be discussed at our vision meeting
- Add signage, benches, whatever?

Water Quality Monitoring:

- Sunday April 30th first sampling date; training two day prior
- Sample every other week thru early August
- Energy committee is planning a dam tour of Marshfield dam; time tbd

Town Meeting:

- Need to update our display board with new photos, etc.

Submitted by: Bob Popp

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Approved on: , 2023