

TOWN OF COLEBROOK
CONSERVATION COMMISSION ZOOM MEETING

May 11, 2021

Members present:

Joyce Hemingson

Linda Bickford

Edna Travis

Robbie Lawton

Meeting called to order at 7:04. Motion to approve minutes from last meeting moved by Linda, seconded by Edna.

Old Business:

Report from Colebrook Clean-up Day: 27 roads in town were cleaned up by 30 volunteers. Thank you everyone who participated. Discussion on types of trash most frequently found: beer cans and shot bottles. Robbie suggested we give out car trash bags next year as an incentive to not throw bottles and cans out the window.

New Business:

The Cooper trail will be cleaned by on Sunday, May 23. Meet down at the pond in the morning. Shayne can get there by nine. Bring gloves and tools. And any strong men you can find!

The CT Trails walk will be Sunday, June 6. Robbie and Linda will make cookies. Joyce will put out signs.

Natural Areas Inventory –

Joyce has contacted Hudsonia, an environmental group from NYS that does NAIs for towns over there. Waiting for more information, including how much it might cost to hire someone to do it for us. Also, we discussed applying for a grant from the Northwest Community Foundation to pay for it. This is a big project, and we will need outside help. A committee of dedicated volunteers, writers, editors, etc.

As Joyce pointed out, there is already quite a bit of information out there about Colebrook. For instance, bird studies for various properties, including the MDC. Phelps property, etc.

More new business:

There will be a meeting next month – June 8 – in person.

Robbie suggested we ask Eric Christiansen, a horticulturist, to come and talk to us about pollinator gardens.

Meeting adjourned at 8:00.