

**Meeting:** **DRAFT** Antrim Conservation Commission, August 30, 2017 at 530 pm at the Town Hall.

**Attendees:** Peter Beblowski '19, Keith Wolsiefer '17', , Ron Cheetham '20', Linda Bryer '18', and Jeremy DeLisle '20'

**Absent:** Rod Zwirner '19' and Frank Gorga '18,

1. June 2017 meeting notes were reviewed and accepted as amended
2. **Campbell Pond** - Peter sent electronic copies of the Phase 2 Natural Resource Inventory to everyone. Hike tentatively planned for October 7 to remove **Japanese Barberry** bushes from NE corner
  - Linda borrowed a weed wrench for some removals on her property. She said it worked great. Jeremy reserved two wrenches for the Commission to use on October 7.
  - **Lily Pond Trail needs work** – Possibly in November
  - **Hurlin Property** has some substantial trees that need cutting. Schedule in late fall/ winter.
3. **Antrim 2020 Trail Group** members to first tackle the Meadow Marsh Trail. Trail was cleaned and re-blazed. Temporary signs are being printed. Permanent signs are to be routed. Trail work needs to be scheduled for Bald Basin side of trail. Peter to visit and flag. Peter to contact Brian Burford about a title search on the property.
4. **Invasives** – Need to coordinate Speaking for Wildlife presentation: **NH Bugs: The Big Three.** *NHBugs: The Big Three* informs New Hampshire citizens and visitors about three invasive insects of greatest concern to our trees and forests: emerald ash borer, hemlock woolly adelgid and Asian longhorned beetle. This presentation includes information about the life cycles, identifying signs and symptoms of infestations, and management techniques for each pest. **The Conservation Commission received Notice by UNH Extension service that the Emerald Ash Borer (EAB) has been found in Deering and only 3 miles from the Town of Antrim.**
  - Bittersweet and Japanese Knotweed is taking over lower Smith Road. Peter to contact Doug Cygan at USDA about doing a presentation for the town. Coordinate it with Rec and Grange!
5. **Gregg Lake Basin study & initiative** – has been funded by USEPA through NHDES- more on this to be provided in the future.

**Next Hike and Paddle:** Tentative **Pot Luck Bar-B-Que and paddle set for Wednesday, September 6 at 5pm at Gregg Lake.** Peter will provide charcoal and hotdogs and fix-ins.
6. **Home & Harvest** is set for September 15 and 16. Con Com to have a table with invasive plant & insect information. Also Meadow Marsh Trail information.
7. **Wetland Permits-**
  - a. Shoreland Permit for Jon & Fred Lurie, map 241, Lot 2 White Birch Point
  - b. Shoreland Impact Permit 2017-00791 Stephen D'Amelio Map 206, Lot 70 Franklin Pierce Lake
  - c. Shoreland Impact Permit 2017-010064 Paul Graney, 214, Lot 58 Franklin Pierce Lake
8. **Intents to Cut-**

2017-017-05T- Block, Map 211, Lots 10 to 25; Map212 Lot 35; & Map208, Lots 3 &5 off Lovers Mill & Stacey Hill Roads (cut continues from 2016 on 200 of 242 +/- acres)

2017-017-06T – Gould Map 242, Lot 16 on West St (cut continues from 2016 on 10 of 75 acres).

2017-017-07T- Fessenden, Map 244, Lot 15 off High Street (cut on 6 of 6 acres)
9. **Vegetation in the mill pond.** Peter did get back to several people about this issue. Linda is volunteering with several people from the grange to hand cut Mill Pond vegetation.
10. **Workshops & meetings** – see separate page.
11. **Harris Center** <http://www.harriscenter.org/Programs/programs.htm>
12. **Monadnock Conservancy:** <http://www.monadnockconservancy.org>

**Next Meeting:** Scheduled for Wednesday, September 27, 2017 at 530 pm in the Town Hall.