

Meeting: Antrim Conservation Commission, May 29, 2019 at 530 pm at the Town Hall.

Attendees: Peter Beblowski '22', Frank Gorga '21', Linda Bryer '21', Ron Cheetham '20' and Keith Wolsiefer '22', & Rod Zwirner.

Absent: Jeremy DeLisle '20'

1. Draft April 2019 meeting notes were reviewed, amended and accepted.
2. **Trails: June 1 is National Trail Day. Go for a hike!**
 - a. **Campbell Pond** – Peter contacted Monadnock Conservancy (MC) and NH Fish & Game regarding ATV use. Peter emailed and met with the new area NHF&G Conservation Officer (CO) Nicholas Mascussi and received several signs to be placed on town properties (Campbell Pond and Meadow Marsh) prohibiting motorized vehicles (OHRV- Off Highway Recreational Vehicles). Peter will mount on boards and place over the next several weeks at various locations along access points. Peter has written an article for June 2019 Limrick.
Also, Frank to contact Student Conservation Association (SCA) regarding trail building around pond & possible loop trail up Reilly Mtn. If too late for this year, then plan for early coordination with SCA for next year.
 - b. **Meadow Marsh Trail** – Peter cut the several down trees. And placed 2 No Motorized Vehicles signs at the trailhead access points. The second bench needs some work.
 - c. **Lily Pond Trail** – A successful work day occurred on May 5. George & Michelle Caughey, Tod Bryer and Virginia Dickenson also helped at the work day. Several additional work days are to be scheduled. (see below). Boy Scouts have been contacted and no response has been received. We will move forward..... Peter cut the downed trees prior to the work day. Peter to compile materials list and contact the Cemetery Committee regarding the trail out the backside of the cemetery.
 - d. **Hurlin Property** has some substantial trees that need cutting. Schedule in winter 2019.
 - e. **Meetinghouse Hill Trail** to the Meetinghouse Hill Cemetery needs to be re-established. Peter to contact Andrew Robblee re: new trail easement agreement. This still needs to be done.
Also, the commission has been contacted by the Antrim Historical Society about a joint hike to the center cemeteries. Suggested time would be during Home & Harvest (mid September). All in attendance thought it a good idea.
3. **Antrim 2020 Trail Group** of special note are work days for Hurlin Property cleanup this winter 2019.
 - a. Dates: tbd
4. **Conservation Award** – to Rod Z for 35 + years on Conservation Commission. Peter contacted Rod and the Antrim Grange #98. He received the award on May 15 at their annual Awards Night. Following receipt the carved purple finch award has been placed at the Tuttle Library for public viewing.
5. **Gregg Lake Basin study** is moving forward nicely. Outreach may involve becoming a **Soak-Up-the-Rain Group** <https://www4.des.state.nh.us/SoakNH/> pending additional information from NHDES. Linda found a local scuba diver, Bruce Botello who may be willing to help with additional investigation of the subaqueous ridge found through the ground penetrating radar investigation (GPR) performed over the winter.
6. **Anitra Sorensen and Phil Brown** of NH Audubon have been working diligently to establish a Friends of Willard Pond group. The third 'Friends' meeting is to be held at Tuttle Library on June 13 at 6 to 8 pm. Peter and Phil Brown have coordinated a meeting with the Selectmen and NH Fish & Game at the next Selectmen's meeting on June 3 at 7pm.
7. **Contookook & North Branch Rivers Local Advisory Committee (CNBRLAC):** Rod says the new website is now available, <https://www.cnbrlac.org/>.
8. **Paddles & Hikes: Lily Pond Trail** work days - June 15 10 to 2pm
Robb Reservoir Paddle - June 9 1 to 4pm
Willard Pond Paddle – June 2 2 to 5 pm
9. **Planning Board:** rewrite of the Master Plan. No action
10. **Intents to Cut**- active
19-017-01T Gale Map 220, Lot 024, Clinton Road (27 of 31 acres cut)

19-017-02T Verney/Monadnock Paper Map244, Lot 13, High Street (5 of 7 acres cut)
19-017-03T Lawrence Map 214, Lot 5, Smith Road (10 of 12 acres cut)

11. NHDES Wetland Permits:

Note from NHDES Wetland Bureau- date April 17, 2019 regarding an unpermitted, on-going work within Shoreland Protection Area at 22 Jackman Shores. Peter visited site 2x and sent email to NHDES on May 29, 2019.

May 7, 2019 received a Forestry Notification NHDES# 2019-01326 for Forestry work at Longgood property, 156 Salmon Brook Rd.224, Lot #2.

We also received a Roadway Maintenance Activity Notification filed with the NHDES Wetlands Bureau for culvert work on NH Rte 123just east of Rye Pond.

12. Workshops & meetings – see separate pages

13. Harris Center <http://www.harriscenter.org/Programs/programs.htm>

14. Monadnock Conservancy: <http://www.monadnockconservancy.org>

Next Meeting: Scheduled for Wednesday, June 26, 2019 at 530 pm in the Town Hall.