**Meeting:** Antrim Conservation Commission, June 28, 2017 at 530 pm at the Town Hall.

Attendees: Peter Beblowski'19, Keith Wolsiefer'17', Ron Cheetham '20', Linda Bryer '18', Frank

Gorga '18, and Jeremy DeLisle '20'

- Absent: Rod Zwirner '19'
  - 1. May 2017 meeting notes were reviewed and accepted as amended
  - 2. Campbell Pond no notes at this time. Several members asked about Phase 2 NRI. The Phase 2 Natural Resource Inventory was completed in early 2016. Peter will re-send electronic copies to everyone.

Will return in fall

Hurlin Property has some substantial trees that need cutting. Schedule in fall.

- 3. <u>Antrim 2020 Trail Group</u> members to first tackle the Meadow Marsh Trail. Trail was cleaned and reblazed. Temporary signs are being printed. Permanent signs are to be routed. Trail work scheduled for May 6 & 7. Rain cancelled May 6 but good time was had by all on May 7. A mailbox was purchased and painted for the trailhead. Trail rehab was completed by National Trail Day ® on June 3, 2017. Water levels were high and a small trail detour was constructed around a wet spot. Also trail needs to be reconfigured on south side of Hattie Brown Road. Frank asked if the Commission would fund the printing of 2 sided color trail maps with a list of wildflowers. The issue was discussed and voted on unanimously in favor of paying the \$27.50 for printing.
- 4. <u>Emerald Ash Borer</u> (EAB) is a non-native insect. EAB lacks predators to keep it in check. Infested trees die within 3 to 5 years. EAB only attacks ash trees, and is responsible for the death of millions of ash trees in the midwest. Help protect New Hampshire's ash trees. A <u>quarantine of all hardwood firewood, ash wood-products and all ash nursery stock is in effect for Belknap, Hillsborough, Merrimack and Rockingham Counties</u> Another problem bug to be on the look out for is the <u>Asian Longhorned Beetle (ALB)</u>. This insect pest poses a serious risk to trees and forests. ALB hasn't been found in New Hampshire as of today.

More info may be found at <u>www.NHBUGS.org</u>

- 5. Eagles reportedly are nesting on island in Powder Mill Pond in Bennington. Keep an eye out for them!
- 6. Next Hike and Paddle: Tentative hike from Brimstone Corner Rd to Willard Pond on May 21 cancelled due to schedule conflicts. Reschedule and cancelled again on June 11\_July 8 or 9 as possible dates\_\_\_\_\_
- 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. <u>Intents to Cut</u>-

2017-017-05T- Block, Map 211, Lots 10 to 25; Map212 Lot 35; & Map208, Lots 3 & 5 off Loverns 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. <u>Vegetation in the mill pond.</u> Peter to get back to several concerned citizens over the Summer.
- 10. <u>Workshops & meetings</u> see separate page.
- 11. Harris Center <u>http://www.harriscenter.org/Programs/programs.htm</u>
- 12. Monadnock Conservancy: <u>http://www.monadnockconservancy.org</u>

Next Meeting: Scheduled for Wednesday, August 30, 2017 at 530 pm in the Town Hall.