

Meeting: Antrim Conservation Commission, August 27, 2014 at 530 pm at the Town Hall.
Attendees: Peter Beblowski, Keith Wolsiefer, Linda Bryer, Ron Cheetham,
Absent: Rod Zwirner

1. Notes written for July meeting accepted as amended.
2. Campbell Pond Phase II partially complete. We are awaiting additional word from Jeff Littleton. Ron reported on removal of Japanese Barberry bushes. Said it was very difficult alone and we should plan a work day or 2 in the fall.
3. Home & Harvest is September 13. Rod Z to man a table for the Harris Center regarding Camp Chenoa back land acquisition. He also walked property with Meade Cadot.
4. Brian Hotz SPNHF contacted the commission with regard to participation in potential Conservation Easement on Contoocook River. Project put on temporary hold. Substantial donor backed out. Will revisit at a later date.
5. Conservation Easement for the back land (Map 240, Lot 12) at the Camp Chenoa (Girl Scout Property). It is 184 acre parcel on the west side of Brimstone Corner Road. Planned closing is September 26. Linda Bryer moved "the ACC participate financially with monies from the Conservation (Current Use Tax) Fund for the project. Ron Cheetham 2nd. Following brief discussion the ACC decided to bring it to Public Hearing & a decision would be made after the hearing on the amount. Past donations ran in the 3 to \$8,000 range. There is presently approx. \$30,000 in the Conservation Fund. The commission has several other conservation projects on-going.
6. Our next hike/paddle to Robb Reservoir on Sunday August 31 at noon +/-.
7. Rod has arranged for Eric Tenney to mow the Hurlin Property (soon).
8. Rod reported that Michelle Hamm was let go at the paper mill and there is a new chair of the CNBRLAC Janet Renaud from Greenfield.
9. **Emerald Ash Borer** discussed Updates New site found in Canterbury.....More info may be found at www.NHBUGS.org **Emerald Ash Borer (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 quarantine of all hardwood firewood, ash wood-products and all ash nursery stock is in effect for Merrimack County.**
10. **Harris Center** <http://www.harriscenter.org/Programs/programs.htm>
11. **Monadnock Conservancy:** <http://www.monadnockconservancy.org>

Next Meeting: Scheduled for Wednesday, September 24 at 530 pm in the Town Hall.