

**Meeting:** Antrim Conservation Commission, October 25, 2017 at 530 pm at the Town Hall.

**Attendees:** Peter Beblowski '19, Keith Wolsiefer '17, Rod Zwirner '19', Linda Bryer '18', and Frank Gorga '18,

**Absent:** Ron Cheetham '20' and Jeremy DeLisle '20'

1. August 2017 meeting notes were reviewed and accepted as amended. There was no meeting in September.
2. **Campbell Pond** – Hike on October 7 to remove **Japanese Barberry** bushes from NE corner went exceptionally well. Jeremy borrowed 3 weed wrenches from Epsom Lending shed.
  - **Meadow Marsh Trail work will be scheduled after deer hunting season.**
  - **Lily Pond Trail needs work** – Possibly in Dec if no snow Date: pending.
  - **Hurlin Property** has some substantial trees that need cutting. Schedule in late fall/ winter 2018.
3. **Antrim 2020 Trail Group** plan to meet tentatively on November 8. Meadow Marsh Trail needs some work before winter. Additional 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 still needs to contact Brian Burford about a title search on the property.
4. **Invasives** – (a) 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. (b) Bittersweet and Japanese Knotweed is taking over lower Smith Road and other parts of town. Peter contacted Doug Cygan at USDA about doing a presentation for the town. He will coordinate it with Rec, Grange and library, date needs to be set. Jan/Feb? Potential Limrik article.
5. **Gregg Lake Basin study & initiative – has been funded by USEPA through NHDES-** more on this as time goes on. Joan Gorga presented project to the Select board on Oct 23. Project needs to go to Governor & Council. More on this will be forthcoming.

**Next Hike and Paddle:** Tentative – Gregg Lake Paddle Sunday Oct 29, 2017 at 3 to 5pm. We can squeeze in one last paddle if the weather is nice.

6. **Home & Harvest** on September 15 and 16 was a great success. Con Com had a table with invasive plant & insect information. Also Meadow Marsh Trail information distributed.
7. **Wetland Permits-**
  - a. 2017-02818 Fitzgerald, *Wetlands Minimum Impact Forestry Notification* (see below).
  - b. 2017-02227 Town of Antrim, Standard Dredge & Fill Application for West Street (ROW) over Great Brook Project still pending additional information to be supplied by the Town.
8. **Intents to Cut-**
  - 2017-017-010T- Stockwell, Map 252, Lot 4, Kings Highway (cut on 85 of 85 acres)
  - 2017-017-011T- Fitzgerald, Map 220, Lots 31, 38 & 39, NH Route 31 (cut on 100 of 117 acres)

**Workshops & meetings** – see separate pages.

9. **Harris Center** <http://www.harriscenter.org/Programs/programs.htm>
10. **Monadnock Conservancy:** <http://www.monadnockconservancy.org>

**Next Meeting:** Scheduled for Wednesday, November 29, 2017 at 530 pm in the Town Hall.