Town of East Kingston Conservation Commission

Minutes of Meeting September 9, 2019

The CC meeting was Called to Order at 5:02 PM

Members Present: Karen Quintal, Vicki Brown, Peter Gilligan and Dennis Quintal.

Member absent: Marilyn Bott

The Minutes from August 12, 2019 were reviewed and approved.

Correspondence:

- 1. Summer Issue of the Granite State Tree Farmer Newsletter.
- 2. Notice of the upcoming Department Heads meeting with the BOS on September 23rd.
- 3. September 9: NHPDIP Statement for the end of August Balance of \$2,060.44. Interest received \$3.66.
- 4. September 9: Sept-Oct NHDES Issue of the Environment Newsletter.

OLD BUSINESS:

- 1. Chris Albert from Jones & Beach has informed us that additional site measurements on the Bank Restoration Project will be conducted in September.
- 2. Litter Pickup on Haverhill Road was conducted on August 24th.
- 3. On August 30, Dennis attended a workshop on Invasive Plants conducted at the Seacoast Science Center at Ordiorne State Park in Rye. Information was provided on the various species found in this area. Japanese knotweed is an invasive plant sighted at a few locations in East Kingston. We agreed it's important to inform and educate residents about proper methods of controlling it and other invasive plants. As a result, this Commission will work to provide posters at town locations, posts on East Kingston Connects on Facebook, and displays on election days.
- 4. Following up on our Emerald Ash Borer (EAB) inventory and report, we discussed the ash tree in Union Cemetery. The treatment of EAB to this tree, to be most effective, will be conducted next spring. In the meantime, curtailing surface root & bark damage from landscape mowing and weed whacking around this tree are other actions that can be taken to keep the tree healthy. Dennis will discuss this with the Cemetery Committee.
- 5. Vicki presented information on Pollinator Pathways & update to our Conservation Web site.

NEW BUSINESS:

1. The NH Association of Conservation Commissions will conduct their Annual Meeting on November 2, 2019.

Next meeting of the Conservation Commission is Scheduled for October 14, 2019 at 5:00 PM

Respectfully submitted;

Dennis G. Quintal

Time Adjourned: 5:58 PM

Approved.

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