

Eaton Conservation Commission

August 15, 2022

1. Meeting called to order at 6:04 pm. Members present were Marnie Cobbs, Holly Fortin, Tom Head Dick Brisbois, Heather McKendry, Dick Fortin.

2. **ADMINISTRATION** – Minutes from the July 11 meeting were approved as read.

3. **TREASURER’S REPORT** -

Conservation Fund	\$2116.12
Forest Management Fund	\$69,112.72
Land Acquisition Fund	\$15,581.34
Foss Mt. Fund	\$1068.69

TOTAL	\$87,878.87
Donation box at Kiosk	\$111.62
Website Donation Income (July 12 – August 15)	\$1049.19

Motion made to accept the Treasurer’s Report.

Motion made to pay Minuteman Invoice:

\$92 Lower Kiosk sign

\$42 Cyanobacteria sign

\$17.61 Additional amount for Table tents printing (\$150 July appropriation)

Tents and Kiosk expenses to come out of the Foss Mt. Fund, Cyanobacteria signs to come out of the Conservation Fund.

4. **SELECTMEN’S REPORT** – Update regarding the ZBA hearings for 125’ setback on Hatch Pond.

5. **FOSS MANAGEMENT** – Ryan Bushnell is currently picking the front field on Foss and will be moving up to Brooks Pasture tomorrow. He has picked 4000 pints to date.

Work weekend set for Oct. 22 with a rain date of Oct. 23. If more work needs to be done then another work weekend could be set for the following Sat. or Sun. Priorities would be filling holes in blueberry fields, trail work, brushing at the Giles place, spreading Sulphur.

Kevin at Snow Village Inn contacted Marnie to see if they could include some information in their “Newsletter” on the efforts the ECC have made regarding Foss Mountain. The Commission discussed the pros and cons of this publicity.

6. **FOREST MANAGEMENT** – Dick reviewed the outline that will be presented to Town Counsel regarding the status and need to clarify questions centered on Town Forest designation.

Marnie introduced the Carbon Sequestration program with “Forest Carbon Works”. This program offers carbon credits in exchange for an Annual Payment of at least \$10 / acre. Marnie will get more information for further discussion.

7. **COMMUNITY COHORT** – Dennis Sullivan successfully presented his NRI program in July. The next presentation on fresh water fisheries and water quality will be Sept. 22, at 6:30 pm. NH Fish and Game biologist John Magee, UNH Lay Lake Monitoring Director Bob Craycraft, and Katy Lewis from Tin Mountain Conservation Center will be the presenters.

8. **OTHER BUSINESS** - ECC held their elections with Marnie Cobbs as Chair, Tom Head as Vice Chair, Judy Fowler as Secretary, and Dick Brisbois as Treasurer. Holly Fortin made the motion and it was seconded by Heather McKendry. All voted in favor.

Old Perkins Road timber sale access. Marnie reviewed the proposal by Ronald Cima to cut timber on his lot and to use the abandoned road to remove the wood. The ECC did not express an official position on the proposal, but will be involved in the discussion with the Selectmen.

Next meeting:

September 12, 2022 at 6 pm.

Meeting adjourned at 7:30 pm

Respectfully submitted by Richard Fortin