

Thetford Conservation Commission Minutes

February 28, 2018

Present: Ann Lavanway, Sue Fritz, Sue Tallman, Jim McCracken, Bob Pulaski, and Libby Chapin

Absent: Jeff Smith and Steve Lehman

Guest: Li Shen and Clare Kelsey

The Minutes of February 14, 2018 were approved as amended.

The agenda's single topic for the meeting was a discussion of this year's priorities for the TCC. The following are the main topics discussed.

- An inventory of the town of Thetford's natural resources is needed. A source of funding is needed to cover the cost. The Town Plan's Natural Resources chapter should include as much information from current town resources maps as possible until such inventory is completed.
- Focus on VT Green Up Day by encouraging town-wide participation. Jim and Libby will plan advertising, collection sites, and a celebration at the Thetford Center green.
- Continue to raise awareness of non-native, invasive plants.
- Contribute to improving the water quality of Thetford's rivers, lakes, ponds and wet lands.
- Design walking guides for trails in Thetford. Sue T and Bob volunteered for this project.
- Plan for 2018 educational events such as: bird walks, nature walks, and another film festival.
- Clear the PMNA trail of fallen trees and add informational signage.
- Review the Natural Resources section of the Town Plan and decide what assignments are feasible considering the capabilities and time constraints of the TCC and budgetary constraints of the Town.

The next meeting will be March 14, 2018 at the Town Hall.

Respectfully submitted,

Sue Tallman