

Final

Thetford Conservation Commission Minutes

March 13, 2019

7:00 PM

Present: Steve Lehman, Connie Snyder, Judy Harvey, Bob Pulaski, Sara Cavin, Sue Tallman, Jeff Smith, Jim McCracken

Absent: Sue Fritz

Guest: Jesse Mohr

The Minutes of February 20, 2019 were approved.

Jesse Mohr gave an update on his progress with the Thetford Natural Resources Inventory. He shared detailed maps of existing data. Jesse will schedule site visits in April and May and plans to wrap up Phase I in July with recommendations for Phase II. The TCC members provided current information for the Recreation and Water Source maps. The Forest Block and Wildlife, Plant and Natural Community maps were also discussed. He suggested vernal pool identification would be a good outreach for citizen scientist involvement. Training of volunteers would be needed.

The Town Meeting TCC presentation was well received.

The Film Festival discussion will continue at the next meeting. Comments from attendees will be solicited via email and listserv requests.

Jeff has contacted the Thetford Fire Chief to set a date for the controlled burn at Post Mills Natural Area. The optimal time is in late April, weather permitting.

Jim reported the plan for the "Live Animal" event. It is set for April 7, 2019 at the Thetford Elementary School. Time TBA. The presenter is M.... from the Southern Vermont Natural History Museum. The West Fairlee CC is co-hosting this event.

Agenda item suggested for the April 10 meeting are:

Film Festival review

Green Up Day

Town Inventory follow up

The Meeting adjourned at 9:10 PM

The next meeting is April 10, 2019 at 7PM.

Respectfully submitted,
Sue Tallman