

Danville Conservation Commission Notes

9/11/17

Attendance: Deb Yonker, Nancy Diefenbach, Richard Diefenbach, Dave Houston, Julie Grenier, Bridget Ferrin-Smith, Vange Morse, Keith Gadapee,

Discussion:

- Julie Grenier was introduced to the Selectboard and is welcomed to the Commission.
- Nancy and Julie attended the Select Board Meeting and shared that Matt Langlais will attend our next meeting on Oct 2nd
- The state has requested that all our meeting minutes and drafts should be posted on town website (sent to Audrey)
- Nancy shared about the Summit Conservation Meeting- some people might be going
- Calvin sprayed the phragmites last week-he will bill the town
- Glossy Buckthorn was found in the Pumpkin Hill Town Forest
- **Worked on EAB Preparedness Plan**
- Discussed significant Ash trees that could be designated as heritage trees or trees of importance-Trees in parks, on the Green, the park off Hill St., cemeteries, and by the high school
- We need the tree ordinance/policy to support our EAB Plan so both the ordinance/policy and the EAB plan can support one another
- Should we propose the tree ordinance to the select board again?
- It was recommended to the board that they set aside a fund to be prepared for the EAB- Should we do this again? Suggest how to prioritize on public lands and hazardous trees on private land that pose public hazards, suggest preemptive cutting.
- We still need a tree warden
- If the road foreman is to be the tree warden, there would need to be a clear structure about how to prioritize both positions
- Keith shared that his Game of Logging training for road crew class was approved for the stump dump because it is a non-bat habitat- about 20 trees will be cut in the Rodger Lot
- Could the school furnace be a good place to dispose of wood? (not sure if it will be used fast enough)

Next Steps:

- Bridget will contact Calvin about the billing
- Bridget will share EAB Plan with Deb Y
- Print Draft of plan so committee can work on it
- Nancy will share the Tree Ordinance plan with Bridget to put in the EAB plan
- Next Section: Discuss how trees will be removed/disposed/utilized-Locate at least one wood disposal site (stump dump)

Next Meeting: *October 2nd at 7pm*