Minutes

Kingston Conservation Commission

April 3, 2014

Called to order: 7pm

Attending: Jeff Sluder, Evy Nathan, Amanda Moulaison, Walt Roy, Bill Waters, Mike

Guest: Dave Smith

Minutes for March were accepted

Treasurer's Report

- 1. Last month, KCC spent about \$80 on supplies; other than that, there has been no significant financial activity.
- 2. Evy was approached by a Newton resident about KCC sponsoring water testing in Country Pond; something to consider.

Correspondence

- 1. SELT Letter saying in short that there were no major changes on their easements in 2013 and that they plan to monitor again this year. Also, they invited all KCC members to feel free to join them on their site walks.
- 2. There have been an increased amount of intents to cut this year- just three in the past month. KCC can not do anything about cuts on private property, except to monitor impacts.

New Business

- 1. Evy plans to contact the Kingston Recreational Committee to see if they're interested in getting involved in restoration of the trails... In other towns, this committee is involved in trailkeeping.
- E.T.'s Landing/Back Road Town Forest Both of these hikes are pretty, but hard to get to. E.T.'s Landing doesn't have a designated parking lot, and Back Road is also landlocked. Considering making these summer projects - marking trails, working on getting designated parking, and making those trail maps.

Old & Ongoing Business

1. Tire Dump

This is a massive project that no small group can take on. One possible option is to break up the work and remove a layer of tires each year.

Before even touching this site, it needs to be determined who is liable for this site: is it us, the town, or DES?

 Arbor Day KCC received a \$100 check to buy crabapple trees to plant in the Fairgrounds with students
Alicia Geilen "Speaking for Wildlife"

Will be holding a talk on gardening for wildlife on 5/14 at the library

Adjourned: 8:20 pm