

SHAPLEIGH CONSERVATION COMMISSION

May 13, 2019

Attending: Chuck Desmond, Susie Marcoux, Susan Butler and David Mann

Meeting called to order at 7:10

Wildlife sightings: Canadian geese, turkeys, porcupines and signs of bear (e.g. mangled bird feeder).

Secretary's Report: Secretary's report was accepted as written.

Correspondence: Chuck received a report from the Maine Forest Service about the quarantine on Emerald Ash Borer and material that may harbor it for all of York County and the northeast corner of Aroostook County. It is hoped that the quarantine will help to slow the spread of the pest into uninfected areas.

Newspaper/Publication items of interest

Treasurer's report: Susie Marcoux assumed the role of treasurer. We have \$250.00 in our account and if the committee needs money, Susie will speak to the selectmen for the funds.

Trail: Chuck spoke with Elsa Cook and the 4-H club will participate in trail maintenance. (Lots of ticks right now.) Chuck will also speak to Doug Ridley and the ASYCC about extending the Conservation Trail in the Town Forest from Town Farm Road through to Route 11. Susan Butler, Darren Talbot and Joe Stanley will also work on this project.

Town Forest: Susan reported that the Town Beach looks good. Susan will send Lizzie and Tommy Anderson a Thank You note for picking up roadside waste along Town Farm Road. Chuck will schedule a date (possibly June 22, 2019) to pick up the Conservation Trail in the Town Forest. She will see if our new members, Meghan Cadwallader and Cristen Carpentier can attend.

Planning Board: Nothing to report

Appeals Board: Nothing to report

Three Rivers Land Trust: Chuck and David reported on the Three Rivers Land Trust attempt to purchase 21 acres of prime farmland in Alfred. This would be a buy, protect, reclaim and sell program.

Williams Property: Nothing to report

New Business: Madge Baker would like to have the committee clear and clean up access to the bridge at the Goose Pond Overlook area. Beaver dam has been damaged.

Meeting adjourned around 7:58 pm.

Respectively submitted by David Mann