

## Danville Conservation Commission Notes (DCC)

Location: Town Hall Meeting & Zoom

4/03/2023

**Attendance:** Vange Morse, Bridget Ferrin, Deb Bixby, Barbara Hubrugste, Jake Langmaid, Dawn Foy, Art Demarais, Jo Oliver, Greg Prior

1. Approved Feb. minutes
2. Greeted and made introductions to Jo, Art, Dawn and Greg
3. Overview of Conservation Commission goals and current projects
  - a. Town forest management plans
  - b. Timber Harvest in Roger Lot
  - c. Building a trail in Roger Lot-
    - i. Plan this spring is to work on trail
    - ii. Hoping to have event this summer to open the trail
    - iii. Parking Lot
    - iv. Choose Gate (continue to work on this) – concluded that it would be best to work with Keith Gadapee and use some extra resources he has for the gate posts and then just get a galvanized stock gate for use and then continue to solicit welding programs for design ideas for a nice fabricated gate.
    - v. Keith sounded willing to plow in winter once the gate has been moved.
    - vi. Kiosks- Katie Whitehead indicated that there is money in their recreation fund for kiosks in the town forest we just need to figure out what we want and how much they will cost. There are no design parameters. Through our discussion we decided that the size and design of the kiosk at the Rankins trails seems appropriate and Jake is going to figure out what the costs for the construction of the kiosks would be so we can submit and move forward with the build for those.
    - vii. Pumpkin Hill Town Forest sign is up, thanks Keith

4. Discussed our support for Invasive awareness day and reviewed/gave suggestions for letter of support. The “other Bernie” from Jericho CC is hoping to have support with nonnative species  
Barb shared a draft letter and explained an initiative like a “Green Up Day” Equivalent. She will draw up a letter for review before the next month.  
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- Discussed upcoming spring initiatives:

No mow May-promote it again- talked about reaching out to the girl scouts who are leading up the charge on assigning roads for people to clean up.

Discussed Roger Lot To-Do Lists and assigned tasks and determine next priorities

- Maps and trails and info for kiosks – Bridget marked the trail names on our draft maps.
- Trail marking-less tree marking is better
- Trail building – set a date

**Next Trail Work Meeting:** Trail Building in Roger Lot-3:00pm Sunday, April 29.

Bring Rakes, Brush saw, chain saw, tamper, Pulaski

7. Next meeting date: Monday, May 1st