

Westmoreland Conservation Commission meeting  
May 2, 2019 minutes

Present: Marshall Patmos (Chair), John Lukin (Vice-Chair), April Ferguson, Perry Sawyer, Jeanette Hubert (alternate), Dick Schmidt

Meeting was called to order at 8:33AM.

Marshall welcomed Jeanette as a new, alternate member. An alternate functions as regular member, except does not vote if a quorum of regular members is present.

The minutes of the April 4, 2019 meeting were approved as written.

Marshall noted that a NH DOT letter described maintenance work near the intersection of Routes 63 & 12 and northward. No concerns were stated.

With the recent closure of the Lions Club, the WCC is looking for a lead person or organization to run the annual roadside litter cleanup. It is usually held in late April around Earth Day, after snow melts and before vegetation hides the litter. Marshall has gained access to the cleanup materials (bags, maps, plans, vests, etc.) that the Lions held. At this time, any effort will be informal and blue litter bags will be available at Town Hall. The WCC will continue to seek a leader for this important task. For safety reasons, children should not perform roadside work without strict adult supervision.

The factsheet on Japanese Knotweed control has been completed by Mary and Jo Ann and is available at Town Hall.

The possible trails renewal on County Farm property was discussed, noting the large effort required and the possibility of a limited work scope with only a riverside trail and a picnic area.

Marshall noted that our mailing to large land owners in town for voluntary conservation easements has not yet prompted any supporters. The WCC may repeat the mailing in the coming months.

Following a motion by John, a second by April, and full support, the meeting was adjourned at 9:35 AM.

The next WCC meeting is at 8:30 AM on June 6, 2019 at Town Hall.

Submitted by Richard Schmidt