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NEW LONDON CONSERVATION COMMISSION Meeting Minutes - Approved Monday June 19, 2023

Call to order – Chair Brown called the meeting to order at 8:35 AM

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Bob Brown (chair), Michael Kennedy, Mark Vernon, Sue Andrews,

MEMBERS ABSENT: Michael Gelcius, Rob Prohl

OTHERS PRESENT: Peg Birch, Dave Hollinger, Mark Wendling

Chair Brown welcomed the visitors and explained to them that we are always looking for new members.

A special meeting was held on Wednesday, May 31st, 2023, at 7:00 PM. To discuss a permit approval for a walkway project at 880 Pleasant St. (036-016-000)

Permit applications updates – Bob Brown & Mark Vernon

- A dock reconstruction – dredge & fill on Howard Road.

Conservation Land Projects

- 088-006 –no new update – stay tuned

Philbrook/Cricenti Bog Walkway

- 420' of aluminum walkway was added last week, many thanks to the members and the exceptional group of volunteers that helped. The plan is to finish up with wooden planks (3 boards wide) by the end of the summer.
- Tree removal is needed by the bog entrance, Bob Brown has called around to get quotes, the trees are marked and will be dropped into the bog.
- Sub committee met (Sue Andrews & Rob Prohl) help is needed to get Bog awareness day off the ground! It is scheduled for August 12th.
- Hospital Day & Chamber night – discussion about both of those events to be tapped into for publicity/fundraising. Mark V. is checking on getting a table for Chamber night. Peg Birch volunteered to be at the table.
- Mark & Bob Brown are going to be speaking at the Rotary Club meeting on July 7th
- More ideas:
 - Do a fly over and tie it in with a story

- Contact Chronicle
- NH Charitable foundations – very restrictive rules
- Work on the logo and have T shirts printed to sell
- Irving (Bob Brown)
- LaValley's (Bob Brown)

Trails

- Bob Brown spoke about chestnut saplings and seedlings. Some are doing well, some are not.
- Peg Birch spoke about the wild flowers planted at the low plains area.

Old/New Business

- Some discussion about the free Merlin app.

Motion made by Michael Kennedy to accept the May 17, 2023, meeting minutes (with changes made) **Second** by Mark Vernon. **Unanimously approved.**

Motion made by Mark Vernon to adjourn the meeting. **Second** by Michael Kennedy **Unanimously approved.** The meeting was adjourned.

Next meeting Wednesday, July 19th, 2023, at 8:30 AM at Sydney Crook Room.

Respectfully submitted,

Linda Jackman
Town of New London