

Norfolk Conservation Commission Meeting, May 18, 2016

Present: Shelley Harms, John Anderson, Nash Pradhan, Libby Borden, Martha Klein.

Meeting called to order at 7:00 p.m.

Motion made to approve April minutes and seconded; all vote aye, April minutes approved.

Buttermilk Falls: Shelley got a quote of \$1300 to remove some of the invasive plants at Buttermilk Falls Park; the NCC received \$800 from NCA. We should get it done; town crew won't have time and we need to complete work prior to June 30 and the end of the fiscal year.

Nash pointed out the need to have a master plan of attack for the whole area, which could quickly re-sprout as it is fully seeded with Norway maple. Nash plans to excavate the large Euonymus. We need volunteers to help remove small seedlings. Discussion of benefits of girdling. Work will be the week of June 19; Nash can let Martha know the date, who can forward to NCC, and Libby can ask NCA to help.

Plant Exchange (June 18): Martha will table and has small Nature Conservancy invasive plant brochures to distribute; John will donate table and chair and tent; Nash will bring plants. Shelley put ad in NN and posted on FaceBook page. Martha will coordinate with Nash and John regarding getting materials.

Library Talk: Mike Nadeau can do presentation, Gardening with Natives, on June 18th at 4 p.m. (Added from John's email dated May 30: We have the Library for June 18, 4 - 5 p.m. The Library will charge \$100 to staff it (Chris). Need to be sure we have that money left in our budget.)

Town Hall Garden Signs: Next Friday all the signs will be done. Nash will install all the signs and new plants. Nash needs volunteers to help with planting new plants. Nash to let Martha know the date who can forward to NCC. We need to get some good photos of the garden and Shelley can write an article for NN.

Adjourned 7:14 p.m.

Minutes prepared by Martha Klein, secretary