

Cornwall Conservation Commission Meeting,

July 27, 2017

Present: (CCC) Mary Dodge, Rene Langis, Mike Sheridan, Mark Lapin, Bethany Barry, Brian Howlett

We discussed our upcoming August 16th meeting with the Planning Commission, and the integration of an overlay of priorities for the Town Plan, with the combination of natural resources, connectivity and environmental goals. Cornwall has a historical pattern of conservation, and the Town now has new data from the work done by Brett Engstrom, and our Community Values Mapping Forum. Viewsheds are important, both with and without cows, as well as natural communities, wildlife corridors, riparian buffers and water quality. Marc L. will write up discussion notes indicating our goals and priorities and send to PC in anticipation of the meeting.

On July 20th Marc and Cheryl Cesario led a very interesting and informative pasture walk on West St. and talked about the importance of sun, soil and grazing. 50+ people came, including kids and both out-of-town-and-state visitors.

The Clayplain Guided Walk will be held in October, and we're planning another Talk and Presentation by Sue Morse in the Fall. Stay posted!

Bethany Barry