

Cornwall Conservation Commission Meeting Minutes
Thursday, September 29, 2022 (7:00-8:30 pm)
Town Hall, In person and Zoom

CCC Members in Attendance: Katherine Branch, Mary Dodge, Andrea Landsberg, Kristina Sargent, and Michael Sheridan

Recording Secretary: Kristina Sargent

Discussion of habitat connectivity and its documentation with guest visitor Jens Hilke, F&W Conservation Planning Biologist. BioFinder has a new LIDAR mapping tool and Jens offered to update the Forest Integrity and Road Crossings maps using this recently available data. The maps will be available to the CC for review in advance of its October 29th meeting.

Old Business:

Marsh Billings Rockefeller National Historic Park Visit (October 1st). 14 people have RSVPs, 2 from PC, CC from other towns

Invasive Plant Tool Lending Library. Tools are on track for fall check out. Donations and money from the Cornwall Trust for Public Funds covered their cost. To encourage their use, the CC will need to publicize their availability.

AVCC Annual Summit (October 15, 2022). Katherine and Andrea will be attending.

Welcome Letter & response. We have gotten our first response to the letter. Don is following up with the new landowners.

Get Wild! Launch. There have been 75 unique visitors. Andrea plans to do more publicity. Kristina invited CCs to send her photos with captions for instagram posting. Discussion of adding a Kids forum.

New Business:

October Newsletter. Draft is out to group. Kristina will add information on the Park visit before submitting it to Sue.

Our Better Nature. Discussion of a Nov/Dec book promotion event was tabled.

Next Meetings: Thursday, October 27, 2022 (7-8:15 pm)- Mike will chair: agenda will be a discussion of Jens' maps; Katherine will do minutes.

Newsletter: October '22 (September), January '23 (December), April '23 (March).
July '22 (June)