

Newfields Conservation Commission (NCC) Minutes

- 1. Meeting Date:**
 - a. 18-MAR-2024
- 2. Meeting Open:**
 - a. 7:02 p.m.
- 3. Members:**
 - a. D. Mason
 - b. F. Hayden
 - c. J. Couture
 - d. C. Griffith
 - e. A. Watts
 - f. J. Lent
- 4. Guests:**
 - a. None
- 5. Administrative Business:**
 - a. NCC Members reviewed the previous month's Meeting Minutes:
 - i. A. Watts motions to approve, J. Couture seconds, all in favor YES.
 - b. D. Mason provided the Treasurer's Report:
 - i. C. Griffith motions to accept, J. Couture seconds, all in favor YES.
- 6. New Business:**
 - a. 2023 Monitoring Update – No reports have been received yet. C. Griffith will reach out to Sara Callaghan (Conservation Consultant) to determine when copies shall be received. C. Griffith did get confirmation from at least one land owner that Sara Callaghan had conducted the site walk.
 - b. Trail Update – J. Couture was contacted by an Inland Acres trail user that would like to provide free labor and material (stone, etc) to conduct trail maintenance at the entrance to the trails at the Deertrees Neighborhood. The main focus would be to mitigate a short section of trail that is seasonally wet.
- 7. Old Business:**
 - a. Community Forest (Rugg Property) updates:
 - i. Article #1 in Newfields passed.
 - ii. Article #24 in Exeter passed.
 - b. Rocking Recreational Trail Beaver Impact Letter:
 - i. The letter has now been signed by J. Couture and C. Griffith and will be sent to Jeff Bleichaczyk (NHDES Wetlands Bureau). A. Watts to coordinate delivery.
 - c. Commission Member Terms:
 - i. D. Mason reiterated that his term and the term of J. Couture expires in 2024 and both need to be sworn in again at the Town Hall.
 - d. Confirm donations that were approved at February meeting:
 - i. Exeter-Squamscott River Local Advisory Committee (ESRLAC) – Donation of \$200 was provided on 6-MAR-2024.
 - ii. Trust for Public Lands (TPL) – Donation of \$250 is in process.
- 8. Mail:**
 - a. SELT - Newsletter
 - b. Great Bay Stewards – General Info
- 9. Adjourned:**
 - a. 7:34 p.m.
- 10. Next Meeting:**
 - a. 15-APR-2024