

**Deering Conservation Commission**  
**762 Deering Center Road**  
**Deering, NH 03244**

**Minutes for June 14, 2021 Meeting**

**Attendance:** Stacie Hernandez, Mike Thomas, Dennis Sawyer, Gary Samuels

**Also present:** Glenn Clark

**Call to order:** The meeting was called to order at 6:05 by Gary Samuels

**Minutes:** The minutes of the meeting on May 10, 2021 were approved.

**Correspondence:** N/A

**Old Business:**

Hedgehog Mountain Road trash removal report

As a condition of donating tax map 190 lot 15 (1 ac) to SPNHF, DCC is required to remove the remains of a camp. This was done on Saturday, 5 May. DCC appreciates assistance given by Bill Whishman and 11 volunteer students at Hillsborough Youth Center, Rebecca Mitchell and Carrie Deegan (SPNHF). The operation was organized by Mike Thomas. DCC members Thomas, Hartnett, Samuels and Dennis and Jackie Sawyer participated. Junk was taken to Hillsborough Transfer Station by private trucks and by a truck donated by SPNHF. The transfer station will bill the town of Deering. Funds for the operation will come from town conservation fund. The lot is now clear.

Conservation Deed Update

A conservation easement on four lots in central Deering is being donated to with Piscataquog Land Conservancy. The conservation deed has been approved by DCC and by PLC and is currently being reviewed by town counsel. A fourth lot (map 219, lot 2) on Longwoods Rd was originally intended to be included under the same easement as the three lots in central Deering, but survey revealed the need for lot line adjustment. This review is in process and the lot will be conserved when the boundary is resolved.

Lake Host Update:

Boat inspections at Deering Lake boat launch have been undertaken by Lake Hosts since May 22<sup>nd</sup>. Memorial Day weekend was extremely slow because of the weather. At least 127 boats have been inspected to now.

On Sunday, 13 June, a suspicious specimen was sent to DES.

## **New Business:**

### Knotweed Suppression

A team of DCC members Thomas, Hartnett and Samuels have been joined by former DCC member Tim Finn in cutting back invasive Japanese Knotweed at several sites in Deering: Along Deering Center Rd from Clement Hill Rd to just before Donovan Fire Station, Reservoir Rd at Deering Center Rd, a farm at East Deering Rd, Clement Hill rd from North Rd to Johnson Pond.

### Natural Resource Inventory

BioBlitz at the Gregg Lot or around the Town Hall was proposed for August.

DCC will undertake to update the natural history part of the next town master plan.

The meeting was adjourned at 6:45 PM.

The next meeting will be held on July 12<sup>th</sup> in the Town Hall.

Respectfully submitted,

Stacie Hernandez

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