

Deering Conservation Commission
762 Deering Center Road
Deering, NH 03244

Minutes for 12 August 2019 Meeting

Attendance: Gary Samuels, Dennis Sawyer, Jackie Sawyer, Kay Hartnett, Mike Thomas, Tim Finn, Selectwoman Rebecca Mitchell

Also present: Glenn Clark, Al Maddox, Peter Beard

Call to order: The meeting was called to order at 6:00 by Gary Samuels in the Deering Fish and Game parking area.

Minutes: The minutes of the meeting of 8 July were accepted.

Correspondence: A forestry notice was received for timbering on Deering Center Rd. (Map 217 Lot 8).

Bob Compton forwarded the Deering Reservoir Water testing results done 6/25/2019, that he received from the State of NH Dept. of Environmental Services. These results are kept in the Conservation Commission closet at Town Hall. Glenn Clark reported that the kit they obtained for the testing was missing the thermometer needed, so the temperatures will be recorded this month. He stated that missing items are another reason that the town of Deering would be better off owning their own kit.

Old Business: Glenn gave an update on the Lake Host program. Volunteers are needed to cover the Sunday and Monday of Labor Day weekend. Several members volunteered to cover the 4-hour shifts. Glenn will have Hannah send a schedule to everyone so they can sign up for the shift they can cover.

Invasive knotweed cutting was discussed. Mike and Tim plan to cut some more areas on Friday. Roundup spray is not used in Deering, so the knotweed is cut as close to the ground as possible. It is best to keep it cut short if possible.

New Business: The main objective of this meeting was to monitor the Fish and Game easement. Peter Beard, rep. of the club that owns the Fish and Game, walked the easement with the Conservation Commission. The boundary from NH Granit which catalogues all conserved lands among other things, shows there are 2 piles of trash. The biggest pile of trash is just outside the easement. A second pile of old wood is on the easement. Gary will follow up, and double check the maps.

There is a broken fishing line trash container at the beach area of the Deering Reservoir. Glenn will check into that.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:00 by chairman Samuels.

The next meeting will be held on 9 September at 6:30 in Town Hall.

Respectfully submitted,

Jacqueline Sawyer, secretary, Deering Conservation Commission