

## Conservation\_Minutes\_10.17.2019

Attending: Linda Hecker, Linda Lembke, Marli Rabinowitz, Susan Bonthron, Bevan Quinn, Steve Soszynski, Karen Murphy  
Not attending: Rory Lincoln, Bill Jewell, Michael Becker  
September minutes accepted.

We reviewed property owner permissions for the NRI. Most residents are happy to have Patti Smith inventory their property. A few will need a follow up contact. Patti will be attending the November meeting to report on her work this summer and fall. We would like some language guidance from her on how to communicate with landowners in regard to rare species.

### Ash Tree Inventory:

The GCC has inventoried just about half of the town roads and submitted data to Peder Rude. Linda Lembke provided us with mileage and roads covered so far. We hope to finish the inventory spring 2020. Marli will be in contact with Elise Schadler to have her generate a report of number, category, locations and conditions of ash trees from our data.

The discouraging news is that EAB has been identified in Londonderry.

### Coyote presentation:

Kim Royar from Fish and Wildlife is willing to present info on coyotes. We are asking that she do a presentation for the Guilford Central School children during the day and another in the evening for adults. Time to be determined, perhaps in January.

### Communications:

Linda Lembke and Bill Jewell attended the AVCC (Association of Vermont Conservation Commissions) Summit. We approved reimbursement for the conference registration.

Town Website: Linda Lembke has spoken with Peder Rude and will meet with him soon about having the GCC's presence on the website. The idea is to start with small focus, i.e. EAB.

GRWA: The Green River Watershed Alliance and Windham Connectivity Collaborative are currently researching conservation options for the Denison property, a large forest block in Halifax.

The GCC has been asked to write the natural resource section of the town plan.

Patti Smith is leading a Spooky Walk on October 30 from 7-8:30. It will start at Joy Hayes home.

The next meeting is on November 21 at 5:30 PM in the town office.

Meeting Adjourned at 6:50.

Respectfully submitted,  
Karen Murphy  
Guilford Conservation Commission clerk