

HAMPTON CONSERVATION COMMISSION  
Minutes of 22 April, 2014  
Regular meeting

Meeting called to order by Chairman R. Thompson at 7:10 pm.

Also present were: Deb Barton, Marcia Kilpatrick and Bob Johnson.  
Absent were: Penny Newbury, Ev Hyde, Linda Gorman and Naomi Ayotte.  
Deb Barton was seated for Penny Newbury.

Minutes of the March 2014 meeting were accepted.

Audience for citizens. Mr. Higgins of Hammond Hill Road said "keep up the good work".

Additions: Marcia Kilpatrick wanted to add invasives and recycling to old business, and WCC consortium meeting to new business.

Old Business:

1. Town budget re. open space. As of this moment, \$20K has been placed into the Open Space section of the town budget. We'll see if it survives...
2. October walk. HCC members were in favor of an October "Walktober" event. Jericho road and Blue Flag Meadow were considered. Bob Johnson will look into this.
3. Walks brochure. We might ask the Gazette and Hampton High Road if they would publicize it for us in their papers.
4. Significant Tracts. Plans are to spend most of the next meeting discussing the list and making changes. An updated list will be sent to members before then.
5. Invasives. Marcia brought 7 common invasives in for a refresher on identification. They were: barberry, bittersweet, multi-flora rose, garlic mustard, knotweed and two honeysuckles.
6. Recycling. Discussion brought up ideas of better signs, and use of posters showing benefits of recycling. Why can't ours be single stream? Members will each look into what other small towns around us are doing and report back next meeting.

New Business:

1. Goals. Members are to come up with some goals for the HCC for discussion at the next meeting.
2. Vegware. Chairman Thompson showed samples of plates, cups and "silverware" made from vegetable matter and fully compostable.
3. The Windham County Conservation Consortium will have a meeting April 30th in Brooklyn at 7:00 pm. Topic is lakes.

Meeting adjourned at 8:15 pm.