

Pownal Conservation Commission  
Meeting minutes – February 27, 2012

Attendees:

Matt Welch , Ruth Hannan, Kirk Niese

Minutes:

The minutes from the previous meeting were accepted, with minor corrections.

Matt reviewed information received from Jeremy Stultz of Integrated Forest Management, Inc. We discussed how several of the recent harvests were not FSC-certified.

We started to discuss new projects. Matt liked some of Rosemary's ideas (e.g. walking the Town-owned properties), as well as ideas previously mentioned by Derek (e.g. bird nesting boxes).

Matt would like to make sure that there is an organized file of meeting minutes, maps, etc. and would like it accessible (not in the locked office). Ruth will look into this.

Kirk is interested in stopping invasive plant species, such as glossy buckthorn and honeysuckle. (This is a topic we have discussed in the past, since Derek has a good deal of knowledge of the subject.)

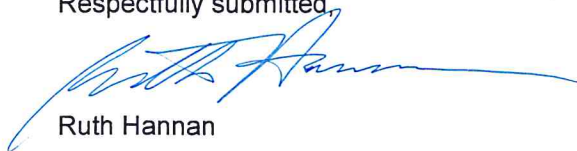
We discussed walking, on a scheduled basis, the Town-owned lots that have been recently harvested. One of the purposes of the walk would be to look for invasives.

Kirk made a motion that we walk the Town properties, with a goal of one per month, for the purpose of identifying and categorizing any invasive plant species found. The motion passed. For the first walk, we plan to walk the Town-owned property on Sweetser road that was recently harvested. The walk is scheduled for Saturday, March 24<sup>th</sup> starting at 8am.

Kirk will look into gathering information, such as photos of the plant species that we should look for.

Our next meeting will be on the 4<sup>th</sup> Monday of the month – March 26<sup>th</sup>.

Respectfully submitted,



Ruth Hannan

Attachment: Letter from Jeremy Stultz of Integrated Forest Management, Inc.

