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Subject: Minutes from May 25th, 2012

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Pownal Conservation Commission

Monday May 21st, 2012

Ruth Hannan, Matt Welch, Derek Lovitch and Kirk Niese

Old Business:

- 1) A motion was made and passed to review last month's minutes by e-mail and then vote on approving them at the June meeting.
- 2) A motion was made to meet throughout the summer. The motion passed.
- 3) It was determined that we would meet next in the month of June on Monday June 25th.

New Business:

- 1) **Matt Welch spoke with Scott, the town secretary re:PCC funds:** How much money is available to the PCC and what is the protocol for accessing and spending that money. This money was listed as being in the town report.
- 2) **Ruth thanked Shawn in person at Mallet Hall.** He is in the process of making containment berms and has staked out an area for us to pile future bush honeysuckle.
- 3) **Derek:** is going over to the site to make sure that the runoff is taken care of and will look for the remnants of the knotweed that is there.
- 4) **Matt had written IFM and Jeremy Stultz** re: finishing and improving the cut over at the Allen Rd.. We have not yet heard back from him
- 5) **Question from Derek re: evaluating Town of Pownal properties?** Has Fred Fauver approached us about other town properties that he wanted us to walk? No. Not yet.
- 6) **Report out on Honeysuckle:** In 1.5 hours, the group amassed a significant pile (1-2 pickup truck loads) consisting of a few hundred individual plants.

Question from Matt: Is it too late to put out an informative letter to the town? OR....should we ask the Selectmen if we could project a looping video about invasives as people are congregating?

Kirk sent a link to the Committee re: Invasives put out by the Maine Natural Areas program AND the Maine Cooperative Extension. Here's the link: <http://extension.umaine.edu/publications/2536e/>

- 7) Next up: We're going to continue to walk the south side of the Goddard Property from 7-8pm .

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