

Town of Bremen  
Conservation Commission Minutes  
Video Conference Call  
July 6, 2022

BCC Members Present: Ann Nesslage, chair; Walter Radloff; Susan Davis, Mary Berger  
BCC Associate Members Present:  
Selectman Liaison Present: Wendy Pieh  
Visitors Present: Joan Ray, Kerry Kohnert, Arnold Banner

Meeting opened: 5:04 pm

Minutes approved.

**Ann Nesslage BOS report**

**BCC budget** approved at town meeting

Process of complaints to town discussed at meeting. BOS decided to clarify procedures. All complaints go to Melanie, town clerk and she will acknowledge receipt of them.

Concern about making complaints anonymously. Wendy Pieh acknowledges that there is a mechanism in place that maintains anonymity

BOS cannot discuss issues among themselves without being in public meeting

Clam Island sign. Wordage will be shortened. Susie will call Melanie to discuss. Cost may come from 22-23 BCC budget.

Susan Davis collecting and maintaining trail status data. This will be an ongoing part of BCC.

**Chocolate Sunday. August 7.** Sponsored by Patriotic club this year. Trail walks by Coastal Rivers on Hilton O'Connor trail will be offered. This should be included in advertising for the event. Coastal Rivers will also have an information table. New kiosk will be in place by then

**Hillside trail**

Recently worked on by Susan Davis and Kerry Kohnert. Trail needs some work but much was accomplished last Saturday. A chain saw is needed for a major blow down. Exact boundaries need to be established especially the end of the trail. Bog bridges are needed at some point.

The trail may become a new priority now that other trails are being managed well.

**Trail work day in July** will take place to make sure the Hilton O'Connor trail is in great shape for the Chocolate Sunday guided walks.

**Other**

Discussion of using Lincoln academy students to volunteer on trails. More research needs to be done to determine parameters concerning using students. What can they actually do? Tools?

Mary sue weeks will not be able to work on the map in the near term but she is interested in working with BCC to accomplish it

Cyanobacteria workshop July 15 by Lake Stewards of Maine 4-5 pm.. Free zoom

meeting. Cyanobacteria threatens health of the water supply and animals and may be come more of a problem in the Midcoast area. BCC will help publicize the workshop.

Virginia Betts will be removed from the BCC website because of her inability to participate. Virginia's efforts over the years are appreciated and recognized

Beaver threats in town. Several waterways have beaver deceivers and it seems that the beavers have been active and build new larger dams that may block alewives from returning to Webber Pond. Is this a town activity of the responsibility of landowners?

Exec session to discuss membership

Adjourned at 6:05