

Town of Bremen
Conservation Commission Video Conference Call
September 11 2024, 5 pm

BCC Members Present: Ann Nesslage, chair, Susan Davis, Mary Berger, Walter Radloff, Naomi Marting

Selectman Liaison: Wendy Pieh

Visitors Present: Walter Voskian, Joan Ray

August minutes approved.

Kerry Kohnert has resigned from BCC. BCC accepts her resignation with regret but thanks her for her important contributions to BCC and the town forest trail. I think we are all aware of the epic amount of work and dedication and creativity Kerry has brought to her work on the Hilton O'Connor Trail as well as to the Hay property and to other BCC tasks and challenges. And her attendance at conferences and eagerness to learn and share what she has learned are mind boggling. She has been a wonderful BCC member and her decision to resign is a real blow! We are grateful for her time on the commission, and we are going to miss her!

HOC Trail

Naomi Martin and Brad Weigel from Coastal Rivers planted the red dogwoods BCC had purchased. Discussion of how to protect from being mowed inadvertently. Naomi has the trail camera. The question of the HOC steward was brought up since Kerry resigned.

Mowing

Ann has sent a letter to BOS about the mowing emphasizing that BCC instructions of areas to be mowed need to be followed. It has been a serious miscommunication for several years even with BCC repeatedly asking for the mowing to be accomplished

Trail work day

Discussion of whether to discontinue the Sept 28 work day. Volunteers have not come for several months. Without volunteers the trail will be overgrown. Ideas to solve the volunteer problem discussed

Coastal Rivers potential land acquisition

Joan Ray informed us that they are under contract with land that abuts the Hillside Trail. This will enhance the Hillside trail immensely. BCC encourages the BOS to write a letter of support for a grant to help fund the acquisition. BCC will or has done this. The support letters are very important step to earning the grant.

Solar

BCC will stay involved with the solar committee and bring items of interest forward to them. Walter Voskian mentioned PFA's that some solar equipment contain.

Discussion of ideas for more volunteers and suggestions were made.

Meeting adjourned 5:50 pm

Respectfully submitted; Susan Davis