

Norwich Conservation Commission approved minutes of 17 September 2013

Present: David Hubbard, Peter Silberfarb, David Hobson, Craig Layne, Norm Miller, Martha Graber

Absent: Bill Pierce, Steve Gaughan, Dan Goulet

Commencement 7:10 pm

Minutes of July and August 2013 moved for approval (1st P. Silberfarb, 2nd D. Hubbard), approved unanimously.

The commission will inquire about still contributing to the select board's call for strategic plan assessments and goals.

The commission learned from friends and relatives of Virginia Close that she highly valued environmental education and conservation of wild spaces. The commission intends to apply her charitable donations to such endeavors.

The Norford Lake Road parcel with the possibility of being gifted to the town will be visited with landowner permission.

Motion-detecting night camera photographs of road crossing wildlife continue to be collected. Additional cameras will be deployed in order to produce maps of road-by-road corridor use.

The commission will look into having invasive species seminars in late winter and early spring. Commissioners will send names of potential speakers to P. Silberfarb. They may also look into consulting groups that do invasive plant mapping.

The Connecticut River Watershed Council is running the 17th annual source-to-sea clean up on October 4th and 5th. More information can be found at <http://www.ctriver.org>.

The possibility of a New England wildlife, forestry and conservation film series in town was discussed.

Next NCC meeting is Tuesday, 15 October 2013.

Adjournment 8:30 pm

Minutes submitted by C. Layne, secretary