

Town of Andover Conservation Commission

Special Meeting

April 23, 2019

Andover Town Hall Community Room

Meeting Minutes

1. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 6:20 p by Chairman Palazzi.

- Members present: Mike Palazzi Carrie Crompton, Meghan Lally
- Members absent: Gary Gile (alternate), Maryann Gile, Scott Warren

2. Final Plans for Litter Walk (Town-Wide Cleanup)

The town-wide cleanup will be held Saturday, April 27th from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. All town residents are invited to participate. Funding to support the event has been obtained via a grant from The Last Green Valley. The grant monies will cover the cost of trash bags, reflective safety vests, and refreshments for participants. Volunteers working along busy roads are encouraged to use reflective safety vests.

- Work locations and contacts are as follows:
 - 8:45 a.m. - 9:30 a.m. – Town Hall (Group Leader Supply Pick-Up only)
Conservation Commission (Contact: Scott Warren)
Group leaders (below) are asked to report to town hall between 8:45 and 9:00a to pick up supplies at 9:00a. Scott will direct any individual volunteers that arrive to a work party location below.
 - 9:00a-11:00a - Rail Trail
Bike Walk Andover (Contact: Bill Penn)
Volunteers will meet at Center street and travel east and west in two groups.
 - 9:00a-11:00a – Library
Conservation Commission (Contact: Meghan Lally)
Individual volunteers not with one of the groups below should be encouraged to report here. Volunteers will pick up supplies at 9:00a and head to an area of town of their choice. (Ask what road(s) they plan to clean so we can keep track and send a truck out to pickup.)
 - 9:30a-11:00a – Andover Lake
ALPOA (Contact: Linda Derrick)
Volunteers are to meet at the dam at 9:30a and conclude at the beach at 11:00a.

- 10:00a-12:00p - Town Hall
Beautification Committee (Contact: Joan Foran)
Primary tasks will be raking and landscaping of the town hall grounds.
- Discussion of how to document the event:
 - Group leaders will be asked to take group photos and keep track of the number of volunteers that participated.
 - Cathy Palazzi will travel to the locations above to take photos.
 - It was recommended a volunteer be assigned to asking vehicles as they come into the transfer station if they are with a town clean-up group and if so count how many bags black and clear bags they have.
 - Cleanup volunteers will then be instructed to place their bags in a special area of the transfer station for a photo at the end of the event.

3. Conservation Commission Budget Discussion – Trails Line Item

A discussion regarding the remaining funds in trails line item of the Commission budget was held. Potential project locations discussed included (1) improvements to the Chamberlain Pond trails and parking area, (2) improvements to the trail area at the recently acquired town property at Lake Road/Merritt Valley Road, and (3) riparian restoration work along the Hop River ballfield trail. Discussion will continue at the next regularly scheduled meeting.

4. Meeting Adjourned

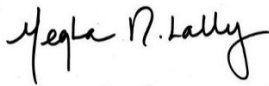
MOTION: Commissioner Lally motioned to adjourn, seconded by Commissioner Crompton.

VOTE: Motion passed 3/0/0.

Meeting adjourned at 6:50 p.m.

These meeting minutes are subject to approval by the Town of Andover Conservation Commission.

Respectfully submitted,



Meghan N. Lally