

Woodbury Conservation Commission Draft Minutes
March 20, 2025
6:30 PM to 8:00 PM

Members Present: Paul Council, Chad Wohlers, Michael Gray, Kiley Briggs, Jack Travelstead, Libby Case

Members Absent: Natalya Zahn

1. **Approve or revise minutes from the February meeting.** Jack motioned to approve the minutes with one minor correction. Chad seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.
2. **Finance updates.** Chad requested an updated balance sheet for discussion before our next meeting. Chad will also request to have membership dues paid to the Vermont Association of Conservation Commissions.
3. **Presentation Series Updates and recap from community snowshoe trip at the town wetland.** A few people showed up for the community snowshoe walk at the school and town wetland. Attendance was likely low due to the return of cold windy weather. Those that attended enjoyed the outing and we encountered a decent number of wildlife tracks.

Paul offered to lead a community bird walk in early to mid-May. Mother's Day bird walks have been successful in the past. The walk is scheduled for May 11. We're thinking a better time for the geology talk and walk is in the fall.

4. **Town Forest Management Plan updates and discussion. Are there any spring maintenance needs?** No updates on the management plan at this time, but we are expecting to hear from the forester within the next month or shortly after. Kiley will visit the town forest this weekend and will report back about maintenance needs.
5. **Kiosk/signage at the Cranberry Meadow preserve. Set a date to locate property boundaries and a suitable location for a sign or kiosk.** Kiley will draft a sign including language, a map, and an acknowledgement for VHCB and the people who helped facilitate the property's purchase and conservation. The commission will tentatively plan to walk the property boundaries and locate the corners on Saturday, April 5.
6. **Nichols Ledge peregrine falcon update from Michael.** Michael reports that the falcons had returned as of Sunday, March 15. He will return to Nichols Pond to determine if the falcons nested on the ledge sometime in April.
7. **Green Up Day planning.** Green up day will be held on May 3 this year. Paul will coordinate the trash and tire pickup at the school parking lot and distribute the green trash bags to the school, post office, and town clerk's office. Michael will try to recruit volunteers to do some cleanup along the town wetland margin near the town ice rink.
8. **Schedule the next meeting.** The next meeting is scheduled for 6:30pm at the town clerk's office on Thursday, April 17. Meetings are typically held on the third Thursday of each month.