

Woodbury Conservation Commission Agenda
May 15, 2025
6:30 PM to 8:00 PM

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

1. **Approve or revise minutes from the April meeting:** Paul motioned to approve the minutes from April. The motion passed unanimously.
2. **Finance updates:** Chad confirmed a recent \$50 payment made to the Vermont Association of Conservation Districts for the commission's annual membership dues and explained to us what a "warrant" is when that term is related to town expenditures.
3. **Town Forest Management Plan updates and spring maintenance needs:** Emily Potter, county forester, was to visit Woodbury but did not show. Paul has reached out to her but received no response. The town forest trail does have trees etc. on the trail. A May 21st trail clearing date is established, scheduled to start at 10:00 a.m.
4. **Green Up Day Update:** There was lower participation than usual this year; the rain may have been the cause. There was however a lot of tires, many of them dropped into or by the metal recycling dumpster, outside of drop-off hours. This illegal dumping of tires has been a problem in the past. This year, someone dropped about 25 tires into the dumpster for metal Friday evening and another batch of about 20 tires sometime on Saturday, after the open hours. Paul figures there may have been about 50 tires dumped illegally at a cost of \$300 to the town. Michael shares photos given to him by Robin Durkee (who received them from the school) that were taken by the outside surveillance system that showed a vehicle and trailer dumping tires. Discussion followed on what to do about this. Paul will contact Alfie to see if he can identify the car/owner. Michael will contact Diana to let her know about the incident to see if the select board is interested in pursuing this further.
5. **Mother's Day Bird Walk/ Nichol's Ledge Peregrines:** There was a glitch in the posting for the bird walk. When Paul realized this, he sent out an email to town residents that have come before asking them to spread the word. 10 people attended; all Woodbury residents. 32 species were identified on the walk. Michael confirmed that there is an active nesting pair of Peregrines on Nichols Ledge and that they are presently incubating eggs.
6. **Lake Wise Program request:** Paul had received a request from Lake Wise to assist in their connecting with Sabin Pond/Woodbury Lake camp owners to participate in their shoreline planting projects. Paul will find out when the Sabin Pond/ Woodbury Lake Association is meeting and let the contact person at Lake Wise know.
7. **Schedule the next meeting:** Meetings are usually held on the third Thursday of each month at 6:30pm at the town clerk's office. The next meeting will be held on June 19.
8. **Meeting was adjourned at 7:40**