

## Town of Brookfield Conservation Commission

### Meeting Agenda – September 2, 2020

I hope we will be courteous to each other by wearing a mask and practice social distancing during this meeting.

Commission Members: Bob Nielsen, Frank Frazier (unable to attend), Pat Girard, Rich Zacher (Selectman's Representative)

1. Meeting called to order
2. Public Comments
3. Review of August 5, 2020 minutes & Re-review of amended July 1, 2020 Agenda/Minutes
4. Mail:
  - a) Meredith Savings Bank Statement:

July 10, 2020	Interest: \$0.10 (0.02%)	Balance: \$5,930.89
August 10, 2020	Interest: \$0.10 (0.02%)	Balance: \$5,930.99
5. Old & New Business
  - a) Update on UNH backyard composting speaker.



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To: NielsenB47@gmail.com Cc: Master Gardener Speaker's Bureau; Rothenberg, Yulia

Hi Bob,

I'm reaching out to you as the question about having a presentation on composting has made its way to my email inbox.

I'm a recent Master Gardener graduate, and part of my internship is working with Ruth, the Master Gardener Coordinator, to schedule speakers for the Speakers Bureau.

In order for me to find a speaker, can you please give me some possible dates/times and location of where you would like the talk to be held? Then I can reach out to some volunteers and find someone who can give the talk.

Thank you for your interest!  
Abbie

Abbie Perry  
MG Intern (Fall 2019)

- b) Preserve Trail: Due to high winds and rain from the remnants of Hurricane Isaias (August 4), a large oak tree was uprooted and fell across the trail about 40 yards from the Cottle Hill parking area.
- c) Around August 10, Calvin Kinville and his father cleared the oak tree from the trail. I was getting ready to do it myself. It speaks well of Calvin that he took such initiative even though his trail work was completed!



- d) Small oak bending over the Preserve Trail was removed by Bob Nielsen (August 31), and branches growing into the trail were cut back on the section of trail from the hayfield where it meets Old Governor's Road to about halfway along the final section of trail to the Rail Trail.



- e) Preserve Trail town sign was put in place at the Cottle Hill parking area on August 19 by Rich Zacher and Gabe Nason.



- f) A resident's suggestion of a picnic table at the rock in the Town Preserve field.
- g) Meeting with Planning Board 10 August. Frank and I attended the Planning Board meeting to review the CC section of the Master Plan. Frank thought the CC section was adequately written for the Master Plan. The Natural Resources Inventory (NRI) should be updated.
- h) Two of the three bird houses on poles set along the edge of the Town Preserve field were damaged beyond repair. The poles were bent over and the two houses broken apart. No sure if a human or an animal did this. The third birdhouse remained intact and had four blue eggs in it. Possibly bluebird eggs according to Jenn McKown's interpretation of the photograph I took.



- i) Flag with holder placed in ground outside of Town Preserve cemetery. First time I have seen this. Should anything be done? Frank?



- j) The status of making a gate for the entrance to the Preserve on Lyford Road?  
Rich?

7) Selectman's Report

8) Next Meeting: Wednesday, October 7.

9) Close meeting