

**BURRILLVILLE CONSERVATION COMMISSION**

**105 HARRISVILLE MAIN STREET  
HARRISVILLE, RHODE ISLAND 02830**

**MEETING AGENDA**

**DATE POSTED: 3/14/2023**

Date: Tuesday, March 21, 2023, at 7:00 PM

**Meeting Location:** American Legion Post #17, 103 Harrisville Main Street, Harrisville, RI 02830

**Amended minutes posted 3-19-23 to reflect change in order of agenda items 2 and 3 .**

**Attendance:**

Business to be considered and acted on:

1) Accept February 2023 Meeting Minutes.

2) Wallum Lake Dam/Canoe Launch:

1. Lake Water Level Report and Canoe Launch Area Report.
2. Memo of Agreement (MOA) on lake elevation - ongoing.
3. RIDEM Wetland Application relative to determining winter and summer water elevations - ongoing.
4. Hydraulic design and dam discharge options available (town capital funding required) - ongoing.

3) Town Conservation Plan (TCP) FY2023, (RIDEM Wildlife Action Plan (WAP)), for year 2025.

1. Meeting with Amanda J. Freitas, RI Wildlife Action Plan, Community Liaison and Scott W. Buchanan, Ph.D., Herpetologist, RIDEM to review plan and objectives.
2. TCP Subcommittee Report and next steps.

4) Nipmuc Trail: Discuss projects and status. Trail Maintenance Updates and Report.

5) Quarterly Conservation Programs: Discussion and scheduling of community presentations and ongoing events.

1. Big Night 2023 Salamander Crossing Event with volunteers' Planned for late March. Waiver forms (In-progress).
2. David Gregg Presentation on Native and Invasive species scheduled for March 29<sup>th</sup> at the JSM Library.
3. Guided Hike planned in The Nipmuc Conservation Area with Naturalist Martha Thoman, Saturday, April 15<sup>th</sup>.

6) Other town properties work status and activity updates:

1. Lapham Farm Road Conservation Easement site updates. Trail Maintenance Report.
2. Branch River Park, and Duck Pond Area, a meeting date with Andrea Hall to discuss future state, March 23<sup>rd</sup>.
3. Town Canoe Launch sites review, maintenance and signage discussion or vote.

7) Rt. 102 Two Gateway Signs and Burrillville/N. Smithfield Town Line Adopt-A-Spot Report Landscaping status.

8) Town Council, Planning Board, Zoning Board, agendas and minutes review and discussion.

9) Fiscal 2023 Budget Report: Budget Status and Expense Report.

10) Seek quotes for a tree purchase for Arbor Day (Arbor Day is on the last Friday in April, April 28<sup>th</sup>, 2023).

11) Old Business: Conservation Commission's Patch Design Report and discussion or vote.

12) Mail:

13) Adjournment:

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