The meeting was called to order at 7:05PM, and minutes of the June meeting were approved unanimously.

Chairperson Carter reported on the DCC’s work on controlling/eradicating Japanese Knotweed during June/July. Extensive new growth areas have been found, and this will necessitate truck spraying, in addition to the usual hat spraying. This work will be carried out by Vegetation Services, a firm licensed by the State of New Hampshire, before the first frost and probably in mid to late September. In the interim growth will continue to be topped manually by DCC members, in order to weaken the plants prior to spraying.

Control of another invasive, purple loosestrife, will be aided by the July/August overnight shipment of 2500 galucerilla beetle larvae to the DCC, on a date to be determined. Funds for this shipment were included in the DCC warrant article presented to the March 2015 Town Meeting and approved by the voters.

In the past the Garden Club of Dublin has helped underwrite the cost of previous shipments to the DCC, and it is hoped that this support will continue. A photo record of past dispersals of beetle larvae at Mud Pond and at the west end of Cobb Meadow Road has been kept, and this photo record will be updated, for the benefit of the Town of Dublin and the Garden Club of Dublin.

NHDOT cutting and trimming of roadside vegetation along Route 101 resulted in much damage to substantial (3” diameter)trees kept in place to reduce snow drifting across Route 101 at Cemetery Cove. The DCC has contacted NHDOT about their cleanup of this damage.

Following Fall 2014 clear-cutting at the Town of Dublin Highways Dept. barn, clear cutting carried out without foreknowledge of homeowners in the vicinity of Cobb Meadow Road, a warrant article was prepared and presented to Town of Dublin voters, asking that funds of $2500 be appropriated by the Town for remediation. DCC Chairperson reported that after careful consideration and inquiry a plan has been created and presented to the Selectmen for approval for a September planting project. With the help of Brian Barden a berm will be created covering the large trunks left behind from the forestry project. New material will be planted in areas available. A selection of native trees will be purchased to begin a naturalization of the area directly in front of the Town Highway Barn. Mary Langen, a neighborhood resident, will generate support and help from the neighborhood to facilitate the planting of the trees and mulching the area as well as watering. Dublin School students may be enlisted to help with this
project, and DCC member Katri Jackson will investigate to see whether such work, to be carried out on a Saturday morning, will be possible.

6. It was voted that the next DCC meeting will be held Wednesday, August 19 at 7 PM, and the July meeting was adjourned at 7:40 PM.

Respectfully submitted, Russell Bastedo, secretary pro tem.