Town of Dublin
Conservation Committee Meeting
June 19, 2019 7:00PM

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Conservation Commission - DRAFT MINUTES

Wednesday June 19, 2019

7pm

Attendance

- John Morris
- Jay Schechter
- Katie Featherston
- Peter Drakeunderkoffler
- Rusty Bastedo
- Miriam Carter (sitting in for Sue Bird)
- Chris Raymond, Selectman

Discussion Points

Mud Pond Dam - Bob King report on Hydro possibilities:

"Dam’s in decent shape, but needs concrete work. You’d need all new penstock (steel pipeline approx 42 inch diameter), new machinery, powerhouse, and a transmission line going south or west to highway. Something like 120 Kilowatts, would likely run the town’s buildings, maybe school. Hydro produces about 3x the energy of a solar system of the same capacity. So to get the energy equivalent of 120 KW hydro would require 360 KW solar.

We discussed the complications if a conservation easement is in place. And I explained how the federal license or exemption could take 3 years and a lot of $$.

I won’t even throw a $ figure at the physical investment at this point.

It’s a cool site though."

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Katie will check on the easement.

Jay reported on grant opportunities and the annual meeting and conference of the New Hampshire Association of Conservation Commissions. He and John are starting a spreadsheet of Dublin lands. SW Regional Planning could update out map for something like $200.

Miriam on Invasives - Jeff Taylor has been hired for knotweed spraying in the fall. She and Peter will drive by the sites soon. John and Jay checked on the beetles on the purple loosestrife and they look to be thriving.

We will need to hire out the mowing sometime before the fall. JJ Bernier and Sturdy Thomas are possibilities.

Meeting adjourned at 8:00pm

Respectfully submitted,

Katie Featherston