

**CHARLESTOWN CONSERVATION COMMISSION**  
**September 29, 2020**  
**Charlestown Town Hall – Council Chambers**  
**4540 S. County Trail, Charlestown, RI 02813**

- I. **CALL TO ORDER:** The meeting was called to order at 7:05 PM by G. Klinger, Chair.
- II. **ROLL CALL:** Present: G. Klinger, C. Connery, G. Gardiner, S. Griffin and R. Thieke. Excused: L. Macalister and K. Simoneau.
- III. **INTRODUCTION OF GUESTS AND PUBLIC COMMENTS:** Deb Carney, Town Council Vice President attended
- IV. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES:** Motion to approve the minutes of August 25, 2020 made by G. Gardiner. 2<sup>nd</sup>: C. Connery. Aye: G. Klinger, C. Connery, G. Gardiner, S. Griffin and R. Thieke Nay: None.
- V. **OLD BUSINESS:**
- A. **Arnold Family White Cedar Swamp Preserve** – G. Klinger reported that K. Simoneau will continue to monitor and clean up along the road.
  - B. **Charlestown Moraine Preserve**
    - a. C. Connery and G. Gardiner reported that they had completed the brush cutting and weed whacking of the trails.
  - C. **Patricia Sprague Forest Preserve**
    - a. Tree removal in and around parking area – C. Connery will contact Larlham to determine when this work will be done.
    - b. Clearing field – G. Gardiner recommended getting Larlham to use their brush cutter to clear the field of trees and brush. It was decided to pursue this in the spring.
  - D. **Richard Trails Preserve**
    - a. Trail work – C. Connery reported that he and G. Gardiner had completed the brush cutting and weed whacking of the trails.
  - E. **Schoolhouse Pond Preserve**
    - a. Trails will be walked and any necessary work done. G. Klinger will arrange for a group to do this work.
  - F. **South Farm Preserve**
    - a. Cutting fields – G. Klinger will contact Public Works about cutting the fields.
    - b. Downed tree by barn – it was decided to leave it alone.
  - G. **Additional Old Business** - None
- VI. **NEW BUSINESS**
- A. **CRMC Notices** – None
  - B. **Well Water Workshop** – S. Griffin reported that there will be two held on-line. One on October 20 (2:30 PM) and the other on November 10 (7:00 PM).
  - C. **Additional New Business** - None
- VII. **MEMBER COMMENTS/ANNOUNCEMENTS:** - None
- VIII. **ADJOURNMENT:**  
Motion by G. Gardiner to adjourn. 2<sup>nd</sup>: C. Connery. Aye: G. Klinger, C. Connery, G. Gardiner, S. Griffin and R. Thieke. Nay: None

Meeting adjourned at 7:27 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,

Richard N. Thieke, Secretary

Next regular Commission Meeting on October 27 at 7:00 PM at Town Hall.