

**SCC Minutes 8-13-19**  
**450 Frank Lord Rd.**

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**1- July minutes were read and approved.**

**2-Announcements**

The Agency of Natural Resources invasives summit will be on Tuesday, Nov 27 at 4pm in Montpelier. Elizabeth Spinney will be one of the presenters.

The Mt. Holly Conservation Trust presentation with Alan Betts and Senator Richard McCormick is 7 pm on 8/14/19. The focus is "A Conversation about Climate Change."

The Vermont Association of Conservation Commissions will meet at Breadloaf in Middlebury from 8:30- 3:30 on 9/28/19. The focus will be "Vermont Conservation Design."

**3- Financial Report**

\$828.00 left in our account less a few other expenses

**4- Invasives**

Lots of progress has been made for various invasive plants. We have a good core of volunteers. We discussed smaller areas of town that still might need some work. We reviewed the Mandigo Meadows Wild Parsnip Removal Project plan.

Jamie Carrera and Weezie have had a discussion regarding the coordination of mowing the CCC road area.

We have information that Sabrina McDonough (teacher at the Shrewsbury Mtn. School) might like to have an invasive species unit. She wants to focus on honeysuckle. Scott Garren has a machine that we can borrow to help remove honeysuckle roots. Weezie will talk to

Sabrina and Scott about this project. Pam will also be a contact.

More and more people have contacted the SCC about their "adopted" areas where invasives grow.

SCC is putting a "thank you" and informational article in the Times of Shrewsbury for the September issue. There may be "pulls" through the month of September.

## **5- Walks and Talks**

Saturday, 9/8/19 Rain or Shine, 11-1, off of Kieffer Rd. Mushroom recognition and foraging.

11/8/19 at 7 pm, Tim Stout, at the library, Carbon Sequestration presentation

8/13/19 (tonight) at 450 Frank Lord Rd.  
Connie Y. and Weezie will meet with Alice Martin to discuss the possible recycling presentation.

Ideas:

SCC discussed a possible hamlet walk in Russellville (near SAGE). This might be a history focused walk. It may be in April or May.

Perhaps a fern walk in April or May.

Perhaps weather/ the night sky. Chris discussed an APP that can be used to discover what is happening in the sky above you.

## **6- Tee Shirts**

We discussed producing tee shirts for those people who have helped pulled out invasives and been of service with conservation efforts in other ways. Grace will come up with a design.

"Friend of Shrewsbury Conservation Commission" on a long sleeve tee shirt. We discussed possible designs and agreed on a long sleeve tee

shirt with a small logo on the front shoulder area. Grace, Weezie, and Chris will contact various companies and get this ball rolling.

We will have a "thank you" dessert event sometime this year.

## **7- Shrewsbury Day**

This event is on Sunday, September 15th. The parade starts at 11:00. Food will be served at 12:00. Booths manned from 1- 3?

It had been decided that the SCC would participate. Because no SCC members can commit to manning the booth at this time, we will have an unmanned booth. Chris and Connie will set up the presentation on Friday. We will try to borrow the ANR presentation board as well.

## **8- Conservation Fund**

Cynthia and Weezie will meet sometime next week to discuss results from their research about this project.

Meeting adjourned: 6:35 p.m.

Next meeting September 10 @ 5:15.