

Unapproved Meeting Minutes  
 Shrewsbury Conservation Commission  
 June 4, 2024; 5:15 PM; 450 Frank Lord Rd  
 Meeting called to order at 5:25 pm

**Attendees:** Weezie Duda, Carrie Clancy, Pam Darrow, Chris Clarke, Michelle Greene, Cynthia Thornton, Linda Shelvey

**Late:** Connie Youngstrom

**Absent:** Peter Grace

**Minutes:**

Item	Topic	Discussion:
1	May 2024 Minutes	<p>May 2024 meeting minutes approved with minor spelling corrections.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Motion made by Chris</li> <li>● Seconded by Weezie</li> <li>● Michelle abstained.</li> <li>● All others approved.</li> </ul>
2	Financials	No changes since last month.
3	Walks and Talks	<p>6/12/24 7pm, at library Jumping Worms with Juanita. Connie will prepare dessert, Weezie will bring iced tea.</p> <p>7/20/24 at Michelle Greene's, encouraging wildlife on your property. Andrea Shortsleeves will come out July 9 for prewalk and to finalize topics. Weezie needs writeup from Michelle. 20 people minimum need to register by contacting Michelle. Weezie will spread word through VT Coverts, FPF, and Betsy Jesser's email distro. Parking on site.</p> <p>9/7/24 Travis Harte, bat and bat houses in Plymbsbury. Chris will do bat house instructions. Daytime event.</p>
4	Invasives	<p>Weezie shared blank volunteer hours recording form. Recording hours may help us with documentation for grants in the future.</p> <p>Weezie wrote grant request for free cone certificates, with intention to reward volunteers that come to invasive pull events.</p> <p>Pam reports that she is still in touch with Ms. McDonough at SMS and confident she is engaged with teaching youth about invasives.</p> <p>Pam recapped several spots of garlic mustard around town that have been targeted recently. New patches of garlic mustard cropping up due to contaminated road gravel being spread. Pam has a cement container for her pulled weeds. Good strategy to pull from edges of town and work our way in.</p> <p>Pam encouraged us and shared tips to pull chervil if we can. Parsnip will be ready to pull soon.</p>
5	Class 4 Roads	Weezie attended planning commission mtg last week. Tues 6/11 at Town Hall is next meeting.
6	Pollinator Project	Pam, Connie and Rita G have started an example pollinator garden

		across from Pierce's using some personal transplants. They have Pierce's permission. Work in progress.
7	New Business	<p>Connie will contact Paul Stewart about Goutweed at Pierce's. Need to be mindful of asking greenup day volunteers if they would like to be added to our volunteer database. (state only wants numbers, not names, so we need to respect privacy of previous year's volunteer info)</p> <p>Chris suggests having first aid kit for future walks and talks. Carrie will assemble a simple first aid. Carrie will contact Kathy Felder for advice.</p> <p>June 26 Open Meeting Training. Weezie will attend.</p> <p>We really need to be more aware of Planning Commission activities.</p> <p>Reorder or remake note cards - Chris will investigate options and prices.</p> <p>Linda would like us to reimburse Michelle for ink and notebooks for her work creating wildlife presentations. Michelle will work with with Chris to order in future. Weezie makes motion to have Michelle submit receipts this time, Carrie seconded, all approved.</p> <p>Connie suggests that Linda should do another wildlife program for the after school kids at SMS next year.</p>
8	July/August Meeting Dates	Move July meeting to July 9th and August meeting to August 13th Motion made by Weezie, Seconded by Michelle, All approved.
	Next Meeting	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Date: July 9, 2024</li> <li>● Time: 5:15 PM</li> <li>● Location: 450 Frank Lord Road</li> </ul>
	Adjournment	<p>The meeting was adjourned at 6:29 pm</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Motion made by Weezie</li> <li>● Seconded by Linda</li> <li>● All approved.</li> </ul>

Minutes Prepared By:

- Carrie Clancy 6/4/2024

- Secretary, Shrewsbury Conservation Commission