

MEETING MINUTES

NATURAL RESOURCES AND CONSERVATION COMMITTEE

SHELBURNE TOWN OFFICES – MEETING ROOM 1

7:00 pm Wednesday, July 10, 2019

Attending: Don Rendall, Fred Morgan, Susan Moegenburg, Peg Rosenau, Peggy Day, Sean McFadden

Call to Order 7:05 – Don serving as acting chair in Gail's absence

Agenda moved to approve – Peg, Fred

Minutes moved to approve –

Menuier Development Review

Civil Engineering Associates

PUD – Maintain trees

We explained the process of waiting until the plan is ready (August) and then we will consider the project.

Don presenting the living document developing a more specific definition of open space.

7:23 Arrival of Tree Advisory Committee

Introductions

Main topic is Emerald Ash Borer. They have conducted a tree inventory – now that the Ash Borer is here they are going to focus on ash. They educated the SNRCC about the biology of the EAB. It is spreading faster. They will be conducting an inventory focused on ash trees and coming up with a management plan, including taking down some trees. It's not yet in Chittenden County. There is a prophylactic treatment to inject insecticide. In Shelburne 12% inventoried trees are ash. The management plan will include a plan for replacing the ash.

7:55 Departure of Tree Advisory Committee

Tactical Basin Plan Water Quality Survey

ANR/Dan Albrect / Karen Bates have asked for input on Survey

The committee offered thoughts on additions to the survey.

Jason Grignon's notes from Resilience Conference
Dean will email the document to us

Prioritization of bylaw changes recommended in Plan

Redefining habitat types for Plan/Regs. Need a definition for core forest. We will take a look at the regs and bylaws and work to incorporate definitions

Dave Marshall/Betsy Rich Project

Applicants currently can affect up to 25% of prime ag soils.

This is a 9 lot subdivision

26 acres will be affected

Susan asked for a site walk – we'll do a doodle poll to

The property has forest blocks, meadow and wetlands

Sean pointed out that lot 9 stands out in terms of the amount of tree removal. Dave described it as an ideal building site because of the views.

9:30 Peggy moved to adjourn

Susan seconded