



Biddeford Conservation Commission Memorandum

April 18, 2019

I. Call to order

Chair called to order the regular meeting of the Biddeford Conservation Commission at 7:00 PM on April 18, 2019 at City Hall.

The following commissioners were present: Ken Buechs, Tom Craven, Bill Murray, Marsha Reynolds, Richard Rhames

The following commissioners were absent: Sue Amons, Steve Reiter

The following guests were present: Dennis Rioux Mark Ward

II. Presentation by Mark Ward

M. Ward presented his proposal for locating, updating and documenting vernal pools and survey of wood turtles and other threatened inhabitants. He brought along a fairy shrimp as an example of an early find. His proposal was accepted in two parts and part 1 was funded through the \$1,000 appropriation approved last month. Part 2 will be revisited once the current work is finished. (a copy of his proposal is archived.)

III. Secretary's Report: Minutes March 21: motion to approve (W. Murray) seconded (T. Craven); approved

IV. Finance Report: no changes

V. Old Business:

- a) SRCC Bill still in limbo as reported by D. Howser.
- b) Waters Project facing continued finance and ownership issues, no progress through SRCC permitting process.
- c) Saco Conservation Commission: T. Craven attended their last meeting and will invite a representative to one of our future meetings.
- d) Thatcher Brook Education Outreach: M. Reynolds reported that she and K. Buechs met with C. Cain to discuss first session with St. James School. Cassie will contact the teacher to schedule.
- e) Comprehensive Plan: R. Rhames and D. Rioux attended the prior night's Planning Board meeting and reported a sense of invitation to BCC interests.

VI. New business: no new business was discussed

Next Meeting: May 16, 2019

Meeting Adjourned: Motion (W. Murray) second (M. Reynolds); approved at 8:45 pm.

Minutes submitted by: Ken Buechs, Chair, Secretary Pro Tem