

Attendees (4): David Lewis, Rhiannon Johnson, Ellie de Villiers, Adam Rice, Deron Rixon
7pm - 8:00pm

Review and approve the minutes from the May 15, 2024 meeting minutes - David moved to approve, Ellie seconded, Adam abstained because he was absent, unanimous approval

Agenda/New Business

Review and approve the minutes from May 15, 2024 - Approved

- ACRPC discussion of what a community values exercise might look like. Deron Rixon will attend to share how ACRPC could help.
 - Deron Rixon is a Planner - ACRPC did a community values mapping styled event with Middlebury college and it was based on what was learned in the Fish and Wildlife's
 - Deron asked for the intent of this ask is
 - Rhiannon: to engage the community, to see what the community is interested in and would support
 - Ellie: yes and to provide those data points to the select board and planning commission
 - Deron: once people get started, it can become a fun and engaging exercise
 - David: what would the first step be and do people understand what the conservation commission is
 - Ellie: we don't want to put people and their ideas into a box
 - Deron: the biggest lift is getting people to come and some of that might be that people may not know what the CC is. Do more than one event so that there is a broader pool
 - Ellie: can we do something that gets at what people's views are for the community, what are their goals for their property, what is the consensus of need. People may be
 - Ellie: could have both a synchronous and asynchronous approach of ideation and validation
 - Adam: what about a survey?
 - Rhiannon: those are proven to be unsuccessful, but could be part of the validation effort
 - Deron: could also be how we vet interest in the effort
 - David: there's a science to writing survey question, but says he is not the one to write them
 - Ellie: what are the first steps?
 - Rhiannon: choosing the times in which we do this and the format feels like a good step

- Deron: offering different times worked well for Middlebury. In person was evenings/middle of the week - often successful with pairing it with other events going on at the same time
- Ellie: what would this look like
 - Deron: start with identifying group values and apply it to geospatial map
- Ellie: consider asking people/community how they want to see New Haven evolve and what they would like to see in the future
- Next steps
 - Go to our networks and understand when events like this have been successful
 - Deron to send out the resources provided by Jens for values mapping
 - David to send out the Commission's mission
 - Ellie: can this be evolved/edited
 - David: yes
 - Adam: when was the last time it was updated
 - David: has not been updated since it was created

Old/Continued Business

- Update information on suggestions for community walks sponsored by NHCC.
 - Rattling bridge fell through (see Polly's email)
 - Rhiannon: Chris Granstrom is interested in doing a walk but
- Is there an Open Meeting Law training scheduled?
 - Ellie will send the slides that the Secretary of State's presentation last Wednesday on the changes to Open Meeting Law
 - Because we are a non-advisory local body so we can continue to meet online
 - As we meet virtually, we still need to provide the link to join the meeting
 - If someone does request in person, then we have to accommodate
 - Ellie: what is our preference as a group? And how do we allow for an accommodation request
 - David will reach out to Pam about how to accommodate an in-person request
 - David to poll the group, to validate and add to the agenda for next week
- Where are we with road crew involvement in identifying wildlife crossings?
 - Polly's email:
 - Instead of a small scale map for getting input from the road crew on where they see wildlife evidence, Pam Kingman suggested getting a larger one made by the regional planning commission, then getting it laminated at 802 printing so that it can be temporarily marked up.
 - I've asked for two copies, one with roads, water, and forest blocks. The draft is too large to send. I then asked for a second one that also

includes conserved land, thinking that we might want an extra not laminated for more permanent markings that won't wipe off.

- Next step: need pricing for laminated map
 - David to go back to Polly to better understand why we need two maps
- Template from Sophie for tracking/mapping
 - Ellie: has Sophie provide the tracking template she said she would create?
 - David: has not gotten a response from her
 - Ellie: then we can create something ourselves and share it out to everyone who has a camera
 - Rhiannon: people will have to sort through their own cameras
 - Adam: who is reviewing the images and uploading?
 - David: the commission
 - Next step: Ellie will create the spreadsheet, Rhiannon will review

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