

Swanzy Conservation Commission
August 27, 2009 Mill-K site walk minutes

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ATTENDANCE Michael Day, Chair, Deb Crowder, Paul Daniello, Mike Morrison, Stephen Stepenuck, Bob Goodrich. Alternates Jane Johnson.

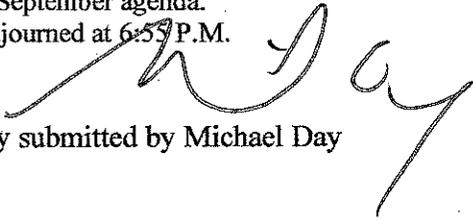
Chairman Day called the meeting to order at 6:05 P.M.

The SCC walked from the parking lot to the canoe launch, commenting in the difficulty in putting in at the current boat launch. The SCC hopes to help establish a landing that will be easier for recreational citizens to launch from there. Stepenuck mentioned receiving a mailing from DES regarding Watershed Grants relative to restoration grants for impaired waters, and assistance grants for high quality waters, which might be able to be used for canoe access at Mill-K or bank excavation in West Swanzy.

The walked continued through the current meadow, making notice of many small Japanese knotweed plants near the stream. Chairman Day sprayed and will continue to monitor and spray glyphosate on the plants to eradicate the invasive plants. Morrison noted the health of past plantings by him and Monadnock students, and the developing of other native species.

Concerning invasive plants, the SCC discussed the purple loostrife beginning to grow at the Nanotech site. Motion by Johnson to write informative letter about the invasive nature of purple loostrife to Moore Nanotech. Seconded by Morrison. Vote: all in favor. Crowder and Daniello volunteered to draft the letter to Moore Nanotech.

Stepenuck reported the completion of signs for Honey Hill, and suggested to Day to include the topic on the September agenda.
Site Walk adjourned at 6:57 P.M.


Respectfully submitted by Michael Day