

**Conservation Committee**  
**Draft Meeting Minutes**  
**June 14, 2021**

Present: Cedric Alexander, Gary Gulka, Roland Payne, Jr., Jim Wolynetz

This meeting was held via tele-video conference in accordance with state open meeting statutes for electronic meetings.

Next Meeting: **July 12, 7:00 PM**

Draft minutes of May 10 approved without changes.

Public Comment

No public comment

Project Updates

EV Charging Station – Still need to raise about \$1000 to cover the costs for installation. Jim will continue fund raising both locally and beyond and it was suggested that others also help to publicize.

Draft Ash Borer Management Plan – A first draft of the management plan (prepared with the help of the Central VT Regional Planning Commission) has been provided to the Select Board. Roland will be checking in with the Select Board to get this on an agenda for discussion. No cost information is in this first draft on costs for tree removal in the right of way for the larger and smaller trees. It was suggested that we look at completed plans in the region to see how they have addressed this.

Public Outreach

Pollinator webinar on June 16.

Bird Walk on June 19. Will be advertised this week.

Chronicle Article – will submit article on Managing Forests for Pollinators, written by Ethan Tapper, County Forester for Chittenden County.

Purchase of books for Cabot Library – we reviewed some publications for purchase. It was suggested we go through a local bookstore to purchase. Gary will check our budget and provide a list of potential purchases later in the week. He will also check with Kathleen at the library on the best way to purchase.

Public presentation on pollinators was discussed. Cabot Working Lands Committee would be interested in co-sponsoring. Gary will pursue a potential presenter.

New Business

We discussed our future meeting schedule and agreed to continue to meet monthly.