Cabot Conservation Committee Draft Meeting Minutes August 8, 2022

Present: Chris Duff, Gary Gulka, Roland Payne, Jr., Dawn Andrews, Cedric Alexander

Next Meeting: September 12, 7:00 PM

Draft minutes of June 13 approved without changes.

Public Comment No public comment

Review Draft Rules of Procedure

The following changes were agreed upon:

- Article 1: Goals Change to "Understanding what Cabot's natural resources are
- Article 2, Item 1: Change to: "Eligibility for membership is open to all Cabot residents. The Committee will be comprised of up to seven members appointed by the Select Board with one-year appointments."
- Article 3, Item 4: Gary and Dawn will propose new language that states that significant decisions will require a vote of the majority of the total committee membership.
- Article 4, Item 1: Change to: "The Chair shall prepare the final draft of the agenda."
- Article 5, Item 5: Change "he or she" to "they."
- Article 6, Items 1 and 2: Add "at a regularly scheduled meeting" to the end of each sentence.

We will continue review and adoption of these rules at the next meeting.

Conservation Plant Sale

Cedric and Gary will be meeting this week with Marshfield and Plainfield Conservation Commissions to discuss the annual tree and shrub sale. The Committee discussed possible additions to next year's plant sale:

Pagoda dogwood Bunchberry Sumac Red oak Highbush Cranberry American Plum

Letter of Support – Village Center Designation

The Committee approved a draft letter of support to the Cabot Planning Commission for the application for Village Center Designation. Gary will finalize the letter and send it to Jenn Miner.

Public Outreach

Next Cabot Chronicle article will be due in mid-September.

We will discuss public outreach events at the next meeting, including ash tree management and ash borer.