

Unapproved Meeting Minutes  
Shrewsbury Conservation Commission  
September 5, 2023; 5:15 PM; 450 Frank Lord Road

**Attendees:** Pam Darrow, Michelle Greene, Chris Clarke, Linda Shelvey, Weezie Duda, Peter Grace, Carrie Clancy

**Absent:** Cynthia Thornton, Connie Youngstrom

**Minutes:**

Item	Topic	Discussion:
1	August 2023 Minutes	August 1, 2023 meeting minutes approved. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Motion made by Michelle Greene</li> <li>• Seconded by Chris Clarke</li> <li>• All approved.</li> </ul>
2	Financials	Reviewed expenses. As anticipated, we are currently over budget \$70.57 for 2023. This amount plus any additional expenses this year will be paid from reserve account, including estimated \$150 for wildlife tracking winter kickoff gathering.
3	Shrewsbury Day Parade	September 17, 2023. Agreed on banner (at Connie's?), song. Meet 10:15 at corner of Russellville that day.
4	Walks and Talks	Mushroom walk was fabulous. Kim Blodgett will write it up for Times of Shrewsbury. Possible future walk/talks: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Travis Hart invasive plant treatments</li> <li>• Vt ANR/Connelly Pond neighbor</li> <li>• Climate resilience - Weezie f/u w/Jane Lazorchek</li> </ul>
5	Wildlife Calendar	Linda brought sample calendar. Not going to pursue this as a fundraiser in 2023. Try to plan this again in 2024.
6	Wildlife Tracking	8/10/23 Weezie and Linda s/w Jens. He will map this year's and last year's data. Map to be unveiled at wildlife tracking winter kickoff training/gathering. Jens compiling advice on tracking bears, as bears need to be tracked differently than by snow tracks.
7	Invasives	Pam's update: still tackling purple loosestrife, will call for volunteers. Wants to think about doing a thank you potluck for invasives volunteers in 2024.
8	Gary's Grove	Looking good after recent mowing. Thinking about making signage, possibly acquiring donated bench.
9	Welcome Bags	Bags sets are done, first bag delivered by Pam, Connie, and Weezie. Recipient had responded to notice in the Times. Feedback from recipient was positive. Weezie plans to be the POC sharing info back to Lisa Sausville.
10	After School Program	Linda McFarland runs ASP at SMS, wants SCC to run a one-time

		program. Brainstorming ideas: garlic mustard pulling hike? Wildlife tracking? Keep brainstorming at home.
11	New Business?	<p>AVCC 2023 Annual Meeting: Oct 19 12-1. They invited us to speak about tiny grant project (we rcvd grant for wildlife cameras for tracking). Linda and Weezie will represent SCC for this.</p> <p>Connie please tell Peter the length of the SCC banner. He will find a rod for the banner.</p> <p>Chris wants to know if we can apply for a tiny grant for a weed extractor. No action at this time.</p>
	Adjournment	<p>The meeting was adjourned at 6:50</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Motion made by Pam</li> <li>● Seconded by Weezie</li> <li>● All approved.</li> </ul>

Minutes Prepared By:

- Carrie Clancy 9/5/2023

- Secretary, Shrewsbury Conservation Commission

Next Meeting	<p>Date: October 3, 2023  Time: 5:15 PM  Location: 450 Frank Lord Road</p>
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