

Wayne Conservation Commission meeting notes

May 5, 2026 Cary Memorial Library

Attending: Diana McLaughlin, Leslie Burhoe, Paula Nersesian, Fred Hurley, Kellie Hess, and Lorraine Ravis

Absent: Lloyd Irland and Ken Spalding

Opened meeting at 5:32

1. Approved April 8, 2026 minutes, unanimous.
2. Wayne's 100-Acre Wood
 - a. Trail maintenance day happened May 6th with plenty in attendance and both trails were cleared and cleaned up.
 - b. Leslie found a simple kiosk design at Acadia National Park and will look into what it would take to get it built.
 - c. Ken called the sheriff about the access encroachment and the sheriff will follow up.
 - d. It was discussed that it would be nice to finalize the legal issues, no action taken.
3. North Wayne Dam
 - a. The Maine Emergency Management Association, a state agency, has also examined the North Wayne Dam and determined it is safe.
4. Community Resilience Partnership Grant Update
 - a. No-cost extension was granted and we are waiting for the draft report.
5. Grant possibilities
 - a. Previously, by email, the Commission had decided not to pursue the Hybrid and Nature Based Design TARGET opportunity grant. To tight of a time frame and maybe not be as useful as first thought
 - b. Discussion about procedures for pursuing grants and timing with town budget process. We would need to work with the town office to receive matching funds for example. Further discussion needed.
6. ALIC Update
 - a. Lloyd is working with an ALIC committee on septic issues. Intern fell through
7. Comprehensive Plan Committee Update
 - a. New Chair - Richard McAlee and new member Bob Bandy
 - b. Legislature is in the process of changing the requirements for comp plans which the committee will have to navigate.
 - c. Committee is in the process of developing a survey.

8. Big Night Activities
 - a. The display at the Library did not get a lot of attention
 - b. For the future the WCC will test how much of our time is useful.
9. Others
 - a. Annual Report has been submitted, thank you Diana
 - b. Macdonald's Woods Walk, Diana thinks late summer
 - c. Planning Board Update, Dexter Pond may go to the Appeals Board

Adjourned 6:55

Next meeting moved to THURSDAY, June 4, 2026 at the Cary Memorial Library due to scheduling conflicts.