

Wayne Conservation Commission meeting notes

July 8, 2026 Cary Memorial Library

Attending: Diana McLaughlin, Leslie Burhoe, Paula Nersesian, Fred Hurley, Kellie Hess, Lloyd Irland, and Ken Spalding

Absent: Lorraine Ravis

Guest: Dana Jones

Opened meeting at 5:30

1. Wayne's 100-Acre Wood

- a. Dana Jones attended tonight's meeting to present some ideas he wanted to share to promote the 1-00-Acre Wood. They included, orienteering, geo-caching, a nature walk with signage, scavenger hunts, and "sit spots". It was agreed that Leslie, Kellie, and Dana would bring to the August meeting (hopefully) some recommendations and thoughts and maybe proposals for further consideration in helping develop thie ideas and a timeline.
- b. There was also talk of pursuing an official DOT sign and one for the bottom of the House Road

2. Planning Board/Appeals Board report

- a. Paula reported that the unbuildable lot on Dexter Pond is coming to the Appeals Board if the owner files for the correct type of appeal. The owner is seeking a variance

3. Community Resilience Partnership Grant Update

- a. Report was presented at the July 7th Select Board meeting and will return to the SB agenda for discussion at a later date.
- b. Only the SB has received the grant report. Paula is waiting for the report and the summary. She hopes to get it posted to the town website.

4. Macdonald's Woods Walk

- a. Set for September 12. Diana will publicize in The Messenger and posters closer to the date. She would welcome other WCC members to join

5. Androscoggin Lake Report

- a. No news. Leslie will report in after next ALIC meeting

6. Grants Process Discussion

- a. No progress to date.

7. Comprehensive Plan Review

- a. Ken and Leslie reviewed, at Paula's request, progress that has been made on the 2016 plan and some other questions Paula had.

- b. Diana flagged that she had done something similar a few years back and has sent that document out.
- c. Fred believes the WCC should come up with a response for the Comp Plan committee survey that was sent out by the Town. Something like our current Vision Statement. We hope to finalize a response by mid-August.
- d. Paula reported that the committee still doesn't have the new statute to guide creation of the updated plan.

Adjourned at 7:03

Next meeting will be August 5th, 2026 at the Cary Memorial Library.