



Special Meeting

Wednesday, July 22, 2026, 6:30 p.m.
Community Room, 43 Bombardier Road, Milton, VT 05468
In Person and/or Via Zoom

Members Present: Laurie DiCesare, Colin Santee, Joseph Duquette, William Pikul, and Bonnie Whitlock.

Members absent: Tim Cunningham, Steve Mitchell, and Bonnie Pease

Staff Present: Kris Dulmer (Tree Warden/MCC Liaison); Cassandra LaFayette (Town Planner).

Public Present: N/A

I. Call to Order

William called the meeting to order at 6:37pm.

II. Agenda Review

No changes made.

III. Approval of Minutes from the April 28, 2026

Conservation Commission meetings were approved. Motion made by Colin and seconded by Joseph. Motion carried unanimously.

IV. Public Forum

Lisa Malabar introduced herself to the Commission and shared her interest in conservation initiatives, including native plant restoration and invasive species management. Members welcomed her participation and discussed opportunities to become involved with future Commission projects and educational programs.

V. Business

A. BioBlitz Schedule and Agenda (July 25–26, 2026)

The Commission completed final planning for the upcoming Milton BioBlitz. Members reviewed the overall event schedule, volunteer assignments, participant registration procedures, guided walks, parking logistics, technology needs, educational materials, and responsibilities for both Saturday and Sunday's activities. Volunteers were assigned to staff registration, assist participants with the iNaturalist platform, support guided walks, coordinate parking, and manage the Sunday afternoon wrap-up event at the Grange.

The Commission discussed participant information packets, promotional materials, vendor participation, educational displays, prizes, and sponsorships. Members agreed to prioritize completing essential event materials while continuing to confirm vendors, prize donations, and educational displays prior to the event. Refreshments would be pursued through local business donations rather than a Commission budget allocation.

B. MCC Project List Review and Updates

Due to the amount of time dedicated to BioBlitz planning, the Commission did not complete its scheduled review of the project list. Members briefly discussed recent volunteer work, including trail

improvements, kiosk construction, and future accessibility enhancements for the Lamoille River Walk. The Commission also discussed the potential placement of a temporary bench along the trail to better accommodate visitors during guided walks

VI. Staff Updates

Staff reported that the Selectboard approved moving forward with the UVM watershed monitoring study. The project will support future stormwater and phosphorus management efforts while providing valuable environmental data for the Town. Field work is anticipated to begin in August.

VII. Adjournment

Motion to adjourn Joe Duquette. Seconded by Colin. Approved Unanimously and meeting adjourned at 8:02pm.

All documents pertaining to this meeting may be viewed using the following link:

https://miltonvt.sharepoint.com/:f:/s/TownOfMiltonFilesFolders/IgB8qTbZD8ECSINGDkulBiMBAWDWSVN1MlfSsd_CbRnSdPE?e=98cDys

Minutes recorded and submitted by William Pikul

APPROVED
MINUTES:

William Pikul, Chair

Date

Milton Town Clerk

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