

Conservation Commission Meeting 7/24/23

In Attendance:

Karen O'Neil
Rich DeMattio
Evan Abramsom

Guest: Christopher Cox

Minutes from last meeting after correction regarding knotweed, approved

Knotweed

- No quotes on herbicide removal yet
- Bill Brooks was told that Vegetation Control Inc in Athol can do the whole town for \$3500, spraying each patch with glyphosate,
- Glen Brook goes into Greenfield water supply, large buffer
- Would have to go t/ DEP with a plan: ask Mark Stimson (circuit rider) how approval process would work
- May need a town meeting
- Allowed to use roundup outside of 25' of an organic field
- Suggestion: publish a map of proposed work before a town meeting
- Bill says residents can remove their own knotweed before the road is mowed, and they'll pick it up
- No problem with knotweed gravel on Highway Department grounds: gravel berm w/ knotweed is not used to pave roads

Chris Cox considering becoming a member
Builder, in Leyden since 2004

Skip the August meeting because members will be away. Next meeting September 18