

TOWN OF LEYDEN CONSERVATION COMMISSION

MEETING 1/22/2023

Attendees

Evan Abramson
Janell Howard
Karen O'Neil
Don Sadowsky

Discussed

Solar bylaw -- town has a bylaw requiring large solar facility to be certified pollinator friendly by UMass; it's being reviewed by AG's office; ConCom would like to review

Largest solar could be 5 acres, no more than 3 clear cut; Evan would like a wooded buffer

Evan will send previous minutes to town clerk townclerk@townofleyden.com

Allow swimming in Green River Reservoir in Leyden, for Leyden residents in Greenfield? -- Evan's personal idea

MACC dues notice was 6 month premature, can't submit to Finance Committee until June

Minutes approved

Knotweed

Put together fact sheet

ConCom hold an info session, cosponsored by Hwy Dept, on knotweed on town roads

How much time in advance for an information session needed?

Evan will draft a presentation, with the intent of having a meeting in March

Will explain the problem, where knotweed has been found, and the options for control

Sugg overseeding native grasses where knotweed was, such as river oats or virginia wild rye

Send resources to Evan by Feb. 2

Plan: first the info session, then present to the selectboard, then for a vote at the town meeting

Next ConCom mtg Feb. 12