

Sharon Conservation Commission
Minutes of meeting on Sept 11th 2023

Attending : Luis Bango, Sam Brakeley, Dan Deneen, Dick Ruben , Mike Zwikelmaier

- 1) minutes of last meeting reviewed and accepted
- 2) Downer Forest Winter Trails- We scheduled 2 workdays Sept 29th and Oct 1st ,both at 9am . Sam is coordinating volunteers. Also discussed trail use and maintenance for warm weather hikes. We just got a response from Brian Renfro of Vt Dept of Forest , Parks and Recreation that our original contract with the State is for winter use only . We will continue discussions . New trail map is up on the Kiosk. Thankyou Brian.
- 3) Ashley Forest - Dick attended an Invasive removal event * Barberry) we will try to take an active part in any trail marking or maintenance .
- 4) Swett Property – We discussed the current status of the Swett Property sale/ transfer , Dan has been in contact with family and UVL. SCC will help with the process where possible . Dan planning a volunteer day to help with pulling meadow pines that have been cut but need removal.
- 5) Invasive Tools- discussed how to advertise their availability, List Serve , Library Newsletter ..
- 6) Sharon Connects – Outdoor Recreation Group. Mike and Dan are part of this group
- 7) Other Business – Dan discussed the new sign to be installed at the “ Ledges “ White River access site below TSA, Mike will contact the Christian Pelliter of the WRP about the sign.
- 8) Next Meeting Oct 11th at the Crossroad Restaurant in South Royalton at 6:30 pm