Minutes of the Sugar Hill Conservation August 21,2025

In attendance: Chris Ellms, Claire Von Karls, Charlie Wolcott, Judy and Larry Sawyer

Guest: Margo Connors

CHRIS made a motion to accept the minutes of the previous meeting and CHARLIE seconded the motion. All approved.

We had a short discussion about the Warren property, the appraisal is scheduled for sometime in September. Appraisal needs to be completed before we can do anything else.

We discussed the cell tower meeting held August 6. CHRIS looked at the list of properties rejected by Blue Sky. The selected site is the best available. LARRY and JUDY walked the proposed area and it appears to be well planned with no danger to the prime turtle area and they will be burying the power to the tower. We believe a precast arched bridge will be installed eliminating the perched culvert.

Water level at Coffin Pond is extremely low. CHARLIE checked it out and noticed that there is a part of the cement work that is blocking water from entering the inlet culvert. It is only noticeable because the Gale River is so low. We will investigate and if possible, we will break the piece out.

The Commission received a monetary donation from Carl Martland. A thank you card was purchased and everyone attending signed the card. JUDY will mail it. We thank Carl for his generosity.

We discussed the invitation from Linda Hansen of the Easton Conservation Commission for a regional get together of Conservation Commissions. It was decided that the members who would like to attend contact Linda to make arrangements. MARGO and CHARLIE are interested and September 18 was the date they favored.

In the case that September 18 is chosen for the regional get together, the SHCC will reschedule our monthly meeting. LARRY will coordinate the posting of the new date with JENNIFER GAUDETTE.

LARRY made a motion to adjourn and CLAIRE seconded the motion. All agreed.