

Jefferson Conservation Commission
Tuesday 16 July 2019

Present: Jamie Savage, Nancy Decourcey and David Govatski
Absent: Chares Muller

Start time: 7 PM.

The Commission met at the Bob Durant Natural Area (NH Fish and Game ownership) in the Riverton section of Jefferson. Jamie led a field trip of the area and pointed out various natural features along the Israel River and Stalbird Brook. The trail is being maintained and mowed by an unknown party and it is well kept and easy to follow. A snowmobile trail runs through the tract for winter use. A sign and gate on Couture Road marks the entrance to this tract. We noted the presence of the invasive Japanese knotweed and some glossy buckthorn at the bridge crossing on Stalbird Brook.

We discussed how the JCC could help make this area better known to local residents and visitors. We will discuss with the NH Fish and Game the removal of the two invasive species and possibly having the commission prepare an interpretive map for the tract. There is also a possibility of a guided walk for local residents in the future.

The commission then went to look at the new snowmobile bridge on Turnpike Road and adjourned at 8:15 PM.

David Govatski

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