Craftsbury Conservation Commission
Monday, June 15, 2026
Present— Molly Sease, chair; Elinor Osborn; Nancy Milholland; Victoria LaGuardia; Diane Morgan.
Absent— Charles Gill, Farley Brown

7:05 pm Molly called meeting to order
Nancy approved May minutes, Victoria seconded.

AVCC board asks Conservation Commissions to send a letter about no killing bears with cubs. Discussed pros and cons of this. Decided against.

Nancy felt we should bring up things we think are important to the Select Board. We should educate the select board about environmental issues that affect the town.

Molly checked our new web page and the web addresses there are working.

Elinor reported on the JK (knotweed) project—

- Many in the community answered the call for large pieces of cardboard for JK (Japanese Knotweed) smothering. And mentioned that they were glad of the project.
- On 6/9 U23 (college age athletes) from the COC (Craftsbury Outdoor Center) worked for two hours—
  -Laying cardboard under erosion fabric to keep JK from pushing up the fabric
  -Pulling JK from stream bank in order to install willow stakes to control erosion
  -Pulling JK from TH 19 where seeds had been planted. None germinated possibly due to allopathy from the JK
- More work to be done—
  - Move dry JK placed on fabric
  - Add more willow stakes
  - Add more cardboard under Cole Rd erosion fabric
  - Clear more JK from stream bank
  - Move drying logs into JK dump area
  - Weed Jk from stream bank willows
  - Weed native plantings
  - weed whack the mowing demo area Bruce G will do that
  - dig JK out of plantings where no fabric
  - We need more willow stakes

Nancy— no info yet on chimney swift project. There's a grant writer for the town now.
Victoria—Rabies talk is on. June 24 6:30 town hall
Elinor—haven't heard back from Krum Sergiev, a world class orienteer who works at the COC on the possible marking of the Bayley Hazen Military road through the COC.
Adjourned at 8:10 pm