

Wilmington Trail Committee Minutes for November 8, 2018

Present: Spencer Crispe, *Chair*; Crista Gannon, *vice chair*; Gary Henry
Jake White, Ann Ottaviano, Joanne Yankura

Absent: John Greene, Bob Fisher, Alan Baker, John Gannon, *ex officio*,
Jake Roberts, Tim Hunt

Committee members attended a forum held at Memorial Hall presented by public and private organizations involved in conservation and stewardship efforts aimed at protecting and improving the Deerfield River Watershed area. Presenters included:

Ryan O'Donnell, Water Quality Monitoring Coordinator, Deerfield Valley Watershed Association & Connecticut River Conservancy

Kathy Urffer, Connecticut River Conservancy River Steward in VT & NH

Marie Levesque Caduto, Watershed Coordinator, Department of Environmental Conservation

Emily Davis, Planner, Windham Regional Commission

Some of the topics covered included:

- water testing and data analysis
- rivers and land that comprise Deerfield River and Beaver Brook watersheds
- monitoring and improving river health
- education , advocacy and public outreach
- public and private work that functions independently on some projects and cooperatively on others where organizational mission and tasks overlap
- immediate special focus on the Beaver Brook Watershed and working with private land owners to improve the watershed's health and viability

A slide show presentation started at 5 pm and a question/answer period followed that ended at 6:40 pm.

Next Meeting: Thursday, December 13th @ 6 pm, Town Offices

No official committee business was conducted.

Respectfully submitted,
Joanne Yankura