



## Invasive & Native Plant Advisory Committee Meeting Minutes

Date: Wednesday, January 12, 2022

Time: 7:00 PM, Location: REMOTE

Attendees: Deb Fountain, Annette Cate, Juliana Molina

1. Review/approve Meeting Minutes for Dec 8th and Dec 29th, 2021
  - both meeting minutes approved unanimously
2. Action Item review (see below)
3. Elect INPAC chair and clerk for 2022
  - tabled until next meeting
4. Wild & Scenic Stewardship Council 2022 Grant
  - Discussed proposing hiring someone to map out areas by streams and roadways
5. Conservation Commission discussion on to Keyes Parker property, and site visit
  - Deb briefed committee on site visit
  - Discussed what would be pulled, possible plans for planting or rewilding
  - Possible pull to begin and identify what's to be pulled for continued work throughout summer
  - Planning to continue in March
6. Invasive Plant Management Plan
  - First draught of each section to be sent to committee for review by 2/2
7. Matters That May be Raised That Were Not Reasonably Anticipated
  - Library presentation
8. Set next meeting date
  - Jan 29, 2022

### Action Item Review

1. Writing assignments for IPMP - 1st drafts (All will be sent to committee by 2/2)
  - a) Annette & Juliana - Invasive Plant Management Objectives
  - b) Pat - Background
  - c) Deb - Introduction, Constraints, Assessment of Existing Conditions - complete
  - d) Deb, Pat - Land Management Goals
  - e) Emily - Management Strategies and Control Options
2. Deb - draft letter for landscapers & PPT presentation for Library program on natives- in process
3. Deb - advertise committee vacancies on FB, NMRHS science club - complete, plus Pat drafted and sent out a letter to local iNaturalist users

All - By the end of the first year of existence, the Committee shall:

1. Provide the Select Board **by February 14, 2022** with a Strategic Plan to
  - assess and document invasive plant issues on public land,
  - develop detection and reporting process for private land owners,
  - create a list of invasive plants in town to compare with the state list (**complete**)
  - recommend appropriate remediation approaches (**complete**)
  - identify associated resource issues and sources for remediation actions,
2. Educate homeowners, businesses, and the agricultural community on the importance of using native plantings. (**In process**)
  - establish a web presence with educational material concerning invasive plants and native plantings for residents. (**complete and ongoing**)
  - Work with local landscapers / garden centers to promote native plantings (plan for winter)