Dalton Conservation Commission

Tuesday, May 19, 2026 Meeting Minutes

Attendees: Gina Damiano, Jon Swan, Ernie Hannaford, Mike Carrier (Alternate)

Select Board Liaison: Not in Attendance

Public:

Called to order at 6:02pm by Ernie.

1. Motion to make Mike a voting member for the meeting tonight. Ernie seconded. All Approved.
2. Review/Approve April 21, 2026 Meeting Minutes
    a. Motion to approve: Gina
    b. Second: Jon
    c. Discussion: none
    d. All approved

3. Feedback from Combined Conservation Commission Meeting at Franconia Town Hall on April 29
    a. Good meeting, everyone glad to be meeting together
    b. Discussion about what is happening in each town
    c. Group will continue to meet
4. Master Gardener Talk Plans
    a. Jon brought it up at the combined meeting to see if anyone was interested in co-hosting with us. Wasn't immediate interest from the group.
    b. Will pick a topic for the fall and then do outreach to the other Conservation Commissions directly to see if we can get a co-host.
    c. At next DCC meeting, will pick two topics and a date and then email the CC's to see if we can get more interest.
    d. Littleton CC is doing a Wildflower Identification Walk at Dells Park coming up soon on May 21st at 10:30am. May 22 is the rain date.
    e. Is there an opportunity to partner with a local business to host the talk
5. New Business:
    a. Dalton Ridge Runners is doing trail cleaning in Forest Lake State Park. Will work towards doing a trail walk in the fall. Will see if Joel White will lead the group to give the history.
    b. Jon would like to resubmit the request for reimbursement from Casella for our experts to the selectboard to see if they would be open to sending it on our behalf.
        i. Motion to approve Jon sending the reimbursement request to the Selectboard from Gina, Mike seconded. All approved.

c. DES approved Casella's extension request on the Alteration of Terrain Permit Application.
d. If House Bill 707 passes on Thursday, Jon has submitted a letter of interest to be on the site evaluation committee.
e. Might skip July meeting. Will decide at the June meeting.

6. Motion to Adjourn from at 6:19PM from Ernie, Second from Jon. All approved.

Please mark your calendars for the following:

- DCC Meeting, June 16, 2026, 6pm

Approved