

Fish Committee
November 7, 2019
Bristol Town Hall

Committee members present: Jay Crooker, Marvin Farrin, Rick Poland

Also present: Alison Lee Hanley (volunteer secretary for Fish committee); Chad Hanna, Selectman; Chris Hall, Town Administrator; Curt Orvis, Engineer; Deb Wilson, Becker Construction; Mark Becker, Becker Construction; Matthew Hanly, Fundraising Volunteer

Opening: Special meeting with Curt Orvis to go over the fish ladder design.

Called to order at 7:10pm.

Mark, Deb, Curt and Jay met at the Dam earlier in the day to go over some construction questions. A power point slide show was shown do go over some details of the design at the meeting. Jay has asked Curt for a digital copy of the plans for our records. We discussed the need for round pools and proper sizing for the fish. Round rock walls built properly puts less stress on the Alewives. (As seen in the Damariscotta ladder.) We are looking at July 15th, to start the project. Matthew Hanly has volunteered to help with fundraising for the ladder. He has many years of experience with fundraising and lives on Biscay Pond. Alison has volunteered to contact Lara Sargent to ask about grant money. Chris Hall will contact the Fisherman's museum about possibly using their 501c3.

Looking forward to the beginning of the Alewife run 2020, Mark Becker suggests taking scale samples of the Alewives. This way we can compare 2020 samples to 2021 (with the new ladder) samples. This is important to the future harvesting of the fish.

Adjournment: 8:10pm. Next meeting TBA