

**Site visit-Tuesday-March 27, 2024-9:00 A.M**

**Shelburne Conservation Commission**

**Members present:** Norman Davenport, John W. Richardson and Susan Berger

**Guests:** Mark Stinson, Mass. DEP; Mark Shippee-Road superintendent and Tricia Yacovone-Biagi

The meeting took place on Bardwells Ferry Road in Shelburne at its intersection with South Shelburne Road and the purpose of the site visit was to view the culvert under Bardwells Ferry Road and the location of Dragon Brook thereto and the flooding occurring in that area.

The parties viewed the location of Dragon Brook and discussed options with Mr. Stinson as to relocating the brook into its original channel. The conclusion by Mr. Stinson was that it could be returned to its original location but it would need a properly prepared plan (he was going to email Faye Whitney with the contact information for an individual who has experience in this area) and he also indicated it would take a good deal of money to do this. So basically the plan and money are the key to a successful relocation of the brook back to its historic location.

Ms. Yacavone-Biagi discussed her pursuit of a grant for culverts on the upper Dragon Brook and discussed an interest in working on this project and perhaps being able to procure the necessary funding for design and construction for this project. It was also mentioned that high school students could be recruited to handle tree planting for erosion control at the end of the project.

The meeting adjourned at approximately 9:30 A.M.

Respectfully submitted by

  
Clerk