

Charlemont Conservation Commission  
June 11th, 2026, 7:00 PM  
Via conference call and in person, Town Hall  
Meeting Minutes

Members Participating: Thorne Palmer, Clay Herbert, Andrea Santos, Bill Harker, Scott Randall; Star Atkeson, Secretary

Thorne Palmer opened the meeting at 7:00 PM

**Agenda item**

1. Minutes of 4-9-26, 4-23-26, 5-14-26

**Clay Herbert made a motion to accept the Minutes as written, Andrea Santos seconded the motion. All in favor.**

2. \*\*Board Organization

**Andrea Santos made a motion to nominate Thorne Palmer as chair. Clay Herbert seconded the motion. All in favor.**

**Clay Herbert made a motion to nominate Andrea Santos as co-chair  
Scott Randall seconded the motion. All in favor.**

3. Sign off on building permit for Hinata, Warfield Road

The project is a massage building made from two cabins put together. There is a big deck going up as well. The area of land never had water. The deck is on legs. The poles are up; there is no water in the surrounding area. Andrea Santos knows the site well and looked at it.

**Bill Harker made a motion to sign-off on the building permit. Clay Herbert seconded the motion. All in favor.**

4. Phone message about 225 Avery brook Road driveway build

J. Maynard, a neighbor and former board member, called about the clear cutting at the project site and said there was not a DEP sign. The Board said there were not a lot of trees, it had already been cleared years ago. Culverts were put in. Bill had given pointers to the contractors building the driveway, to slow the flow of water by putting headwalls on the end of the pipe with stone or concrete. They are correcting everything. Two ConComm members had driven by the site, there was clarification that brush was cut, not trees. The Board isn't seeing an issue.

5. Forest Cutting Plan 88 Warner Hill Road

The Board acknowledged the cutting plan. There is no water there.

6. Railroad Yearly Operational plan

The Board acknowledged the yearly operational plan. The Board may ride along during the spraying of the tracks. They try to keep the spray on the tracks and away from the brook crossings.

7. Knotweed Symposium June 25<sup>th</sup> 6 PM at Hawlemont

The Board acknowledged the upcoming event. Andrea plans on going.

**Andrea Santos made a motion to adjourn at 7:40. Scott Randall seconded the motion. All in favor.**

Documents reviewed in meeting:

- Agenda of June 11, 2026
- Minutes of 4-9-26, 4-23-26, 5-14-26
- Forest Cutting Plan, 88 Warner Hill Road
- 2026 Yearly Operational Plan and Vegetation Management Plan 2026-2030 Berkshire and Eastern Railroad dated March 31, 2026 from Keith Morris.