Forest Advisory Committee Freedom Town Hall August 7, 2019

Members Present: Chairman John Roman, Ron Newbury (A), Dave Charrette, David Straw, Ernie Day (s), Janet

Meyers

Members Absent: Jeffery Towle Planning Board Rep, Chuck Depew, Kevin Connerton(A)

Others Present:

Quorum: A quorum was met.

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. with Chairman John Roman presiding. The minutes from the July 2, 2019, and July 5, 2019, meeting was reviewed.

Minutes

Ron made a motion, seconded by Dave C. to accept the June 5, 2019 minutes with the following amendment: *Third paragraph last sentence change women to woman.*

Ron made a motion, seconded by Dave C. to accept the July 2, 2019 minutes with the following amendment: On page 2 second paragraph last sentence replace Dave C. said it gets mowed when the snowmobile club does the wildlife openings, and they don't charge anything to do it to David C said it gets mowed in conjunction with the wildlife openings.

Discuss Bench Request for Town Forest

Ron recapped the discussion regarding the request to put a bench in the town forest in memory of Jennifer Molin for members that were absent last month. He stated the Selectmen have since met and discussed and voted not to support it. The reason they did not support putting a bench in the town forest was that they did not want to set a precedent. Ernie explained further that the vote was in no way meant to be disrespectful or condescending to Jennifer, it was discussed that there were other people who also contributed to the town forest financially and they were not recognized, and the feeling was that the vote to support the bench would set a precedent. It was also discussed the possibility of residence donating funds and placing the bench in front of the Freedom Store. After a brief discussion, a vote was taken, and it was unanimously decided to support the selectmen's vote not to support the bench due to not wanting to set a precedent.

Miscellaneous Correspondence/Invoices

B.H. Keith Invoice #01-3560 Amount- \$375.00 Date 6/12/19

Janet made a motion, seconded by David S. to pay the B.H. Keith invoice for \$375.00 # 01-3560 dated 6/12/19. Motion passed unanimously.

B.H. Keith Invoice # 01-3573 Amount- \$175.00

Check future meeting minutes for any amendments or changes to these minutes

Date 7/30/19
Regarding inspections

David C. made a motion, seconded by Ron to pay invoice # 01-3573 for \$175.00 dated 7/30/19. Motion passed unanimously.

New Business

John asked if any cuts are planned in the near future. Nothing is planned at this time. The condition of Jackman Ridge Rd. was discussed and if signage should be put up at the gate regarding clearance. It was decided it was not necessary since there have been no incidents reported.

There was a brief discussion regarding Madison putting up a gate by Mary Mountains kiosk on their end. They did not want anyone getting stuck up there. Ron reported that there are two posts in place for a gate. Discussion ensued around the gate prohibiting hunters from having access during hunting season.

There being no other business to come before the board, **David S. made a motion, seconded by Ron to adjourn the meeting at 7:25 p.m.**

Respectfully Submitted, Stacy Bolduc Recording Secretary