

**Forest Advisory Committee
December 3, 2014**

Members Present: Ron Newbury, Rob Hatch, Neal Boyle, Dave Charrette, Janet Johnson

Members Absent: Chuck Depew, Janet Meyers

Others Present: Dianne Park, Paul Elie

Quorum: A quorum was met with 5 members present.

Minutes recorded by Dianne Park

Meeting called to order at 7:05pm.

Minutes

A motion was made by Ron, seconded by Dave, to approve the minutes from November 5, 2014 and November 17, 2014, as written. All were in favor.

Goals and Objectives

Three people from town have volunteered to help with a Power Point Presentation. A work session is scheduled for Wednesday, January 21, 2014, at 7:00pm to start laying out the flow of the presentation. Janet will have something put in the Freedom Column saying the FAC is looking for pictures of the Town Forest.

Rob would like the 6th graders from Freedom Elementary School to put together wood duck boxes. He would like them to research and find a blueprint to use, assemble, and put up. He would build the kits and then help assemble and install. Neal will contact the Elementary School.

2015 Budget Review

The FCC approved the 2015 FAC Budget and it's in the Selectmen's Office awaiting approval.

Wildlife Habitat Plan

Rob will get this back from the FCC so FAC can start working on updates.

Jackman Ridge Rd. Work

Ambrose Bros. got back to the town with a positive response on the project. They are still interested and will do whatever needs to be done. The timeframe for completion is May 15, 2015 through June 15, 2015.

Forester Update – Review of Annual DRED Meeting

Janet Johnson attended the annual DRED Meeting and said DRED had a very positive outlook on the town forest. Barry also said everything went well.

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

Invoices

Company-BH Keith

Date-12/3/14

Invoice Number-01-3155

Re: Activity period October 1, 2014 ó December 3, 2014

Amount: \$460.00

Company-BH Keith

Date-12/3/14

Invoice Number-01-3156

Re: DRED Trail Grant Coordination & administration, showing, site inspections-forest trails vegetative maintenance in the Freedom Town Forest

Amount: \$1,175.00

There was a motion by Rob, seconded by Ron, to approve invoice #013155 from BH Keith for \$460.00 and invoice #01-3156 from BH Keith for \$1,175.00. All were in favor.

Company-Scrub Oak Scramblers

Date-12/3/14

Invoice Number-12

Re: Mowed areas as needed (H1& H2 in spring 2015) and limed areas 1, 2,3,6,7 and an area north of 3.

Amount: \$2,500.00

There was a motion by Rob, seconded by Ron, to approve invoice #12 from Scrub Oak Scramblers for \$2,500.00. All were in favor.

Such business as properly presented to the board

Dave brought in a blank permit for use of the town forest. The criteria for needing a permit is an advertised event.

A motion was made by Janet, seconded by Dave, to adjourn the meeting.

Meeting adjourned at 7:55pm.

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