

**Forest Advisory Committee**  
**June 3, 2015**

**Members Present:** Rob Hatch; Ron Newbury; Chuck Depew; Janet Johnson; Dave Charrette; Neal Boyle, BOS Rep; Janet Meyers, Alternate

**Members Absent:** Peter Park, PB Rep      **Others Present:** Linda Farinella; Susan Marks

**Quorum:** A quorum was met with 7 members present.

Minutes recorded by Linda Farinella

Meeting called to order at 7:00pm

**Minutes**

A motion was made by Hatch, seconded by Johnson, to approve the minutes from May 6, 2015 as written. All were in favor.

**Wildlife Habitat Plan / Stewardship Plan Update with BHKeith**

Hatch invited Barry Keith to the table for discussion. Keith submitted an area map of land around the airstrip and explained some plans for improvement that included select thinning and some patch cuts that will open areas for habitats. There will be some removal of bushy pines at the end of the airstrip to make the area be more brushland. Keith will send a letter to DRED with the plans. This is necessary because anything done before the re-approval of the plan requires DRED approval. The committee was in unanimous agreement to have Keith move forward with the proposed work.

The Stewardship Plan field work is 80% done. Data is now being entered for model with the next step being to revise map and do a narrative. Keith passed out copies of Management Goals and Objectives for the 2015 Stewardship Plan and a copy of the 2005 Survey results. Keith noted that when the plan was originally written the Town did not own the property; the State's objective and goals will not change but the Town can. Keith offered a list of suggestions containing changes/additions/deletions for the committee to consider. Hatch placed review of the suggestions on the July agenda.

Hatch requested from Keith to have culverts marked with flags along Jackman Ridge within the next couple of days. Keith will have this done. Hatch also requested for Keith to create a paragraph summarizing the last ten years to coincide with the slide show presentation. Keith agreed.

**Update on Jackman Ridge Road Repair Project**

Hatch reported that the road will be repaired the week of June 8, 2015.

**Update on Ten Year Power Point Presentation**

Hatch and Johnson have been merging their lists of pictures. Hatch is in need of more pictures that include snowmobiling, trail camera and fishing on the property. Charrette will try and find pictures.

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

### **Spring Clean Up Projects**

Newbury has made improvements to the kiosks that include replacement of plexi-glas, staining and sign replacements. Newbury will paint the metal gates next week and plans to but brush on the trail off Jackman Ridge. Johnson has been walking and picked up all trash. Johnson will obtain trail markers from Keith for installation. Hatch took out a discarded tire reported by Johnson.

### **Miscellaneous Correspondence**

Hatch informed the committee that the ðReach the Beachö Race has submitted a request to run part of their event through the Town Forest via Lead Mine Road in Madison. The race is trying to avoid runners on Route 153. The FCC has been informed and all were in favor of the request. The request has already been sent for approval from DRED. Hatch noted that vehicles will be limited to emergency vehicles. Johnson has no problem as long as the police are aware and present during the race, Newbury and Meyers agreed.

Motion by Johnson, seconded by Charrette to allow the ðReach the Beachö race to go through the Town Forest from Lead Mine Road to Ossipee Lake Road for the 2015 event. The motion passed with Boyle opposed and Depew abstaining.

### **Invoices**

BH Keith 6/1/15 01-3192 Re: Data Review Field Data Collection \$2,450.00	Indian Mound Hardware 05/08 and 13/2015 B151690 and B151311 Re: Forest kiosk repair \$128.03
BH Keith 6/1/15 01-3191 Re: Forest Administration \$390.00	Scrub Oak Scramblers Re: Pond Levelor, fabric and stone \$1,100.00
Skehan Home Center 05/08/2015 150503630759 Re: Oil Paint and thinner for forest kiosks \$94.07	Janet Johnson ó Reimbursement for Vistaprint 05/09/2015 9VTR6-C3A68-9M2 Re: Forest brochures \$257.48

A motion was made by Depew, seconded by Newbury, approving all invoices. All were in favor.

### **Such business as properly presented to the board**

Susan Marks asked for brochures to be made available at the Old Home Week t-shirt sales tables. Marks took several with her. Meyers will make some available at the Village Store too.

Boyle asked again about construction of an access to trout pond. Hatch reiterated the Stewardship Planø's wording against. Boyle persisted and was directed to call NH DRED and speak with Susan Francher.

There was a motion by Johnson, seconded by Depew, to adjourn the meeting. Meeting adjourned at 8:24pm.

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