

Forest Advisory Committee

August 16, 2017

Members Present: Janet Johnson, Ron Newbury, Peter Park, Rob Hatch, Chuck Depew, Dave Charrette

Members Absent:

Others Present: Several members from the public

Meeting called to order at 7:00 p.m by Chair Janet Johnson.

This is a working meeting to review pages 1-70 of the Stewardship plan. Ron stated he had studied pages 74 and beyond so will defer to other board members at this meeting.

Janet pointed out that DRED (Department of Resources & Economic Development) now goes by DNCR (Department of Natural and Cultural Resources).

Began review starting on page 70. Rob Hatch pointed out that the entire "Property Management" section is incorrect. First sentence: The selectmen do not have sole decision making.

Ron mentioned other entities including Green Mountain Conservation. He asked if these entities still have decision making power. Chuck said they do.

Rob made a motion to take out the incorrect information, Janet said this meeting was not a decision making meeting, but a review session. She suggested asking Barry Keith why he made the changes. All members agreed that it would be good to speak with Barry. Janet asked for, and received agreement from the board to pay Barry to attend the next meeting.

Rob said the appendix is missing. Part of this is the habitat map that Barry has always kept. Barry has put in FAC accomplishments throughout the report. Rob has made a list of accomplishments. Janet asked Rob to send her that list ASAP. Rob also mentioned a "prohibited acts" list that he had sent Barry 3 years ago. He would like to see this list added. Janet asked him to send this list to her ASAP.

Rob said that in either 2005 or 2006, the selectmen disagreed on who had what power. It is discussed in paragraph 2-4 in a letter written by Peter Malia on 8/18/06.

Meeting adjourned at 8:15 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

Janice Zecher