

Forest Advisory Committee
Wednesday, May 4, 2022
Freedom Town Hall
7 pm.

PUBLIC MEETING

The meeting was called to order at 7:02 pm by Justin Brooks. Present are: Justin Brooks, Janet Johnson, Ron Newbury, Melissa Florio-Selectmen's Representative. Shawn Coriarty, John Roman, Janet Meyers are absent. Also present: Dave George.

- Approve Minutes April 6, 2022 - not in packet
- Elect a Vice Chair – Justin made a motion to elect Janet Johnson, Melissa Florio seconded. APPROVED
- FAC Membership – Justin will ask Ellen to make a member contact list.
- Barry Keith Contract - This was turned over to FCC. They are reviewing it. It has not come back to us yet. Justin will see if Barry will attend the next meeting.
- Spring Clean up – Jackman Ridge Road – Ron and Janet have done some work on this road. He has also picked up trash near the culvert. The Mary's Mountain Sign at the campground has been refurbished. Scott will get a report to us this week. We may have to have a work session to do the reblazing. Dave George bought the stock to build a pin. He will need the lock in order to build the pin to fit it. The lock at Jackman Ridge needs to be oiled. Ellen has locks. Justin will ask Ellen for a lock. Ron will unlock the gate in May if the roads are suitable. Can this date be set earlier for trout fishing?
- Miscellaneous Correspondence/Invoices – one invoice from Barry Keith – site inspections.
- Janet Johnson asked for a copy of the Stewardship Plan. Melissa gave her a copy. Ellen has more available at the office. There is a wildlife management supplement also. Melissa asked about the annual meeting that is required with the State. Barry does this, and anyone that is interested can attend that. No documents were found regarding the Tree Farm Certification. It appears that it has not been renewed since 2018. (American Tree Farm System).
- Ron spoke about the sign at Trout Pond. It needs replacement (perhaps metal)? Janet will take care of ordering one.

- Melissa spoke about a post about Constitution Park looking for a plastic bench. If you collect 450 pounds of plastic film, Trex will send you a park bench. Dave will talk to the Marina about the shrink wrap. Also speak to the Farmers about the hay bale wraps. Melissa will deliver it to Hannaford weekly. Janet suggested that MyBox may be interested in getting some advertisement.
- Public comment.
- Such business as properly presented - The schedule for winter meetings was discussed. There has to be one meeting per quarter minimum. After November we will have meetings every other month.

Melissa spoke about Old Home Week. She referred to Madison's Old Home Week and their program about the forest. She would like to have something on our Town Forest included with our Old Home Week. Melissa will try to find someone to do a history talk. She will talk to Allen Fall.

Barry has flagged the lines that need to be reblazed. Ron will purchase the paint and brushes and will bring the invoice to the Town. He will do the blazing once he is able to confirm with Barry where to start.

Melissa made a motion to enter nonpublic at 7:50 pm , Justin seconded.

Ron – yes

Janet – yes

Justin – yes

Melissa – yes

Melissa made a motion to leave nonpublic at 8:07 pm, Justin seconded. Nonpublic adjourned.

Ron made a motion to adjourn at 8:09 pm, Justin seconded. The meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,
Melissa Donaldson
Recording Secretary