

Forest Advisory Committee
March 6, 2013

Members Present: Janet Meyers, Rob Hatch, Janet Johnson

Others Present: RA Oram, BH Keith

Minutes recorded by Dianne Park

Meeting called to order at 7:05pm

There was no quorum present for this meeting and topics were discussion only.
No action was taken.

Minutes

The approval of minutes from February 6, 2013 was put off until next month because no quorum was present.

Town Forest Update

There have been complaints from people snowshoeing up the Maryø Mountain Trail, that snowmobilers are using the trail to go to the top of the mountain. This seems to be happening around the time of the Scrub Oak Scramblers (SOS) winter carnival. Rob will be in touch with Dave Charrette and have him post signs stating no snowmobilers allowed.

The SOS has received approval for a new trail in the town forest with the stipulation that the trail get GPS markings when complete. SOS will take care of getting the trail GPSød.

BH Keith

Barry was present for tonightø meeting and had a list of subjects to discuss with the board.

Moose Plate Grant

The deadline for Moose Plate Grant Applications is the end of September, 2013. There is no extra money for this project yet.

Brook Trout

Barry has been contacted by the Natural Resource Conservation Service for a pilot project on brook trout. They informed Barry that there might be grant application money available for this project and they would do the required paperwork. Rob gave background information stating that they have been given the go ahead on this project with the stipulation the board needs to see the certificate of liability. Oram questioned that fact of the money be used only for trout pond. Barry will let them know that the FCC & FAC are interested in the details of this project.

Power Boat Restrictions on Trout Pond

Barry wanted to close his file on this subject and asked for an update. He was told that the board has received approval on this but was told the approval must go through the state legislature to be recorded. Nothing has been heard since. Rob will ask the state for disposition on this project so signage can be put up around trout pond.

Wildlife Habitat Plan

Barry is working on the Wildlife Habitat Plan and passed out a Summary Wildlife Management Plan Supplement. Barry explained and had discussion with board members on:

- Review & Approval, of plan, by DRED & NHF&G
- Landscape level habitat management
- Working with the existing habitat vs. creating new
- Pitch Pine Barrens

Barry also passed out 6 questions that need to be answered by the board. Each question was explained and discussed.

Barry passed out packets of wildlife habitat information for the board to look at. The board will go over all information and get back with answers.

Other Business

Oram explained the possibility of Tax Map #6, Lot #8, located off of Danforth Bay Rd., going up for sale in the future. After speaking with the landowner an easement situation might exist. The board had a discussion on this subject.

Meeting adjourned at 9:25pm.