

New Boston, New Hampshire
Forestry Committee Meeting Minutes

Meeting Minutes for December 9, 2019

Called to order at 5:37 PM

Members present: Tom Miller, Joe Constance, Kim DiPietro, Willard Dodge, Dave Kent, Graham Pendlebury and Guest Norm G

Past minutes – October 21 minutes pending approval. No November meeting.

Treasurer's Report – deferred to next meeting

Agenda Discussion

Introduction to Norm G and discussion of the summer intern role

NG is studying forestry.

Basic Administrative actions are needed before NG can start work in May 2020, i.e. complete W-2 and provide contact information.

He will take management direction regarding work assignments from the chair or vice chair.

Safety equipment such as a hard hat, chaps will be needed.

A laptop computer will be needed for maintaining forest management plans.

JC and DK will investigate options for obtaining this equipment.

Christmas Tree Lot

The 2020 tree order is on file with the Nursery. The trees will be picked up in VT.

Work at the site is needed next spring to grade the loam pile and rototill the area for the new trees.

TM will work with the school to organize fertilizing and retagging for 2nd and 3rd graders.

Norm suggested creating a database for recording tree tags to avoid confusion on who owns each tree.

Lovejoy Memorial Project

KD reports the bills are in for the memorial plaque. Work on the trail will resume in the Spring.

CC and Forestry Discussions

There was agreement on the value of holding several joint CC, Open Space and Forestry meetings each year to align and stay informed on each committees' actions. This includes identifying a joint representative to monitor planning board proposals and attend planning board meetings.

Johnson Lot Discussion

GP and TM walked the lot to assess the potential for a cut. There will be further discussion on the landing site, contacting abutters and determining the best way to access timber on this landlocked parcel.

New Business

Lydia Dodge Work party: December 21

Meeting place is the yellow gate leading to Woods Road in Lydia Dodge West, about ½ mile west of transfer station. Open yellow gate to allow parking.

Next meeting January 13, 2020

Meeting adjourned 7:10