

Approved Meeting Minutes for the June 8, 2020

Called to order at 5:34PM

Members present: Tom Miller, Jeff Briggs, Kim DiPietro, Willard Dodge, Brian.... Graham Pendlebury, Dave Kent at the Sherburne Forest parking area with appropriate social distancing followed.

Past minutes – none due to the pandemic

Treasurers report – to be discussed at next meeting

Agenda Discussion

Election of officers

The current slate of officers was re-elected by unanimous vote.

Discussion of work accomplished by Norm Gagnon, Summer Forestry Intern

TM reviewed work completed by NG. NG has a weekly work plan that is forwarded by email to committee members. It was agreed by all present that NG is performing valuable services, and much has been accomplished during the past four weeks. As an example, some of the work completed and week five's work plan follows:

Completed

- 1) Identified boundary lines on Colby
- 2) Study of Wooly Adelgid on Colby and Todd lots
- 3) Completed TSI work on Follansbee
- 4) Opened viewing area of wetland on Sherburne Lot
- 5) Mowed Christmas tree area
- 6) Set up spread sheet for BA and BF on Lydia Dodge for management plan

Week #5 Work Plan

- 1) Lydia Dodge history for management plans
- 2) Assist TM in marking Johnson Lot for harvest
- 3) Finish identifying property lines on Johnson Lot
- 4) Measure marked trees for volume

He has expressed an interest in returning next summer.

Hemlock Wooly Adelgid in the Todd and Colby Lots

The discussion based on sampling work by NG's focused on the presence of Hemlock Wooly adelgid in both lots. The pest will kill Hemlock trees in 4-15 years. Decisions around the need and timing of harvesting will be determined by annual monitoring and timber market conditions.

New Business

Work Parties – Lydia Dodge, two, 4-hour plot sample work parties will be scheduled.
Sherburne trash removal work parties will be scheduled. A dumpster will be required.

Next meeting Date TBD

Meeting adjourned 6:52 PM