

Meeting Minutes: 7/16/15 Draft

Present: Shawn Hanson Kay Graham, Paul Melanson

Absent: , Dale Ohsberg, Nancy, Robert Wiener, Roka (Vice Chair), Glenn Schrempf, David Gandt, JP Pontbriand

Guest: Ron Klemarczyk (from FORECO, to speak about creating a forest management plan)

Opened meeting at 6:35 p.m.

New Business:

Ron reviewed what is required by the NRCS who holds the easement of the Raspberry Farm for the commission to complete a forest management plan for the Raspberry farm and the Town Forrest. The commission is planning to harvest some of the trees on both of these properties to advance the overall health of these forest. The estimated price of the Forestry management plan would be between \$2900 and \$3200.

Ron also discussed the need to work with an abutter to the town forest to gain access to the town forest so as not to cross a prime wetland in the town forest for access to the trees

Here are the requirements of a "Forest Management Plan" from Brook Smart of the NRCS, Durham, NH

https://extension.unh.edu/resources/files/Resource001351_Rep1801.pdf

Old Business

Josh Hemond presented the commission with several ideas for a map & information kiosk at both the Raspberry Farm and Marsh lane properties. Josh is hoping to have this project accepted as an Eagle Scout project. The commission provided some feedback to Josh, which he plans to submit to his council for acceptance as a project. If the project is accept Josh plans to build one kiosk at each property.

P. Melanson spoke about an upcoming talk he will sponsor on July 21st at the Hampton Falls Library at 6:30pm. Paul plans to talk about large parcel management topics as well as share resource information for land management.

The commission discussed that need to for the commissions overall goals for each of the commission and the properties that are currently under easement. This is a topic that will be added to the August Agenda as new business.

Meeting adjourned 7:42 pm

Next meeting: August 13th, 2015