



OLD VALUES - NEW HORIZONS

WINDHAM FORESTRY COMMITTEE

Forestry@WindhamNH.gov

3 North Lowell Road, Windham, New Hampshire 03087

(603) 432-3806 / Fax (603) 432-7362

www.windhamnh.gov/297/Forestry-Committee

Meeting Minutes for October 26, 2021 1:30pm (DRAFT)

Call to order at 1:35pm. In attendance: Wanda Rice (Chair), Norm Babineau (Vice Chair), Jake Cross (Member). Excused: Brian McFarland and Dave Curto.

1. Approval of meeting minutes from June 17, 2021. Wanda made a motion to approve as written, seconded by Norm. Motion approved 3-0-0.
2. New warrant article discussed for 2022 ballot in the amount of \$7,500. Norm made a motion to approve the new warrant article, seconded by Jake. Motion approved 3-0-0.
3. McIlvaine Town Forest recertification as a "Tree Farm" due. No cost involved and can be completed remotely by qualified forester. Norm made a motion to move forward with recertification, seconded by Jake. Motion approved 3-0-0.
4. Wanda provided update on invasive species eradication efforts. Herbicide spraying completed and larger stump cuttings in process. The effectiveness of this process will be evaluated next year to determine if additional treatments might be needed.
5. Norm and Wanda visited the wildflower meadow for maintenance. Wanda disbursed more seeds in the area. Some woody sprouts were cut down to keep the meadow clear. One of the two bluebird nest boxes installed this spring showed that it had been occupied.
6. Trail access from Wood Meadow development was reviewed. Trail Committee request to use the town right of way off Settlers Ridge was not approved by the BOS. Developer will be surveying town property at the end of Glendenin Rd.
7. New trail to access the McIlvaine cellar hole and wildflower meadow discussed. Trail routing will be explored in more detail later this year after all the leaves are down but before any heavy snow fall.
8. Jake has been part of informal discussions to submit a warrant article to bond 6.1 million dollars to the Conservation Commission for pro-active land conservation acquisitions.

Wanda motioned to adjourn at 2:15pm, seconded by Norm. Motion approved 3-0-0.