



TOWN OF PELHAM

6 Village Green
Pelham, NH 03076

FORESTRY COMMITTEE

MINUTES

November 5, 2019

Site Walk – Moose Pond Town Forest - 3:00 P.M. with Certified Wetland Scientist, Rick Van de Poll

Discussion of trail damage and wetland violation on snowmobile trail near Piper Lane as a result of unauthorized OHRV usage; discussion of solutions, restoration and trail re-routing; discussion of OHRV damage on yellow trail, fill required in one section, trail to be re-routed to avoid 2 damaged areas

Present: Paul Gagnon, Brian Zahn, Jason Crouteau, Ray Brunelle, Mike Gendreau, Linda Irish-Simpson, Deborah Waters

Adjourn: 5:00 p.m.

Meeting – Police Station Community Room - 7:00 P.M.

Moose Pond Town Forest – Discussion of wetland violation and results of site walk; vote to pull out large bridge and dispose of wood, seed damaged areas with winter rye, block 3 trail entrance points with snow fence and other blocking material, encircle the damaged wetland with metal, wire fence, install trail closed signs, snowmobile trail re-route to be determined; discussion of 3 damaged areas on yellow trail, crushed stone to be installed in one section, trail will be re-routed and closed to avoid 2 other damaged areas. Vote: affirmative 4-0

Land Adjacent to PVMP – Discussion to merge McCarthy lot into existing PVMP land; Paul to discuss with Parks and Rec; red trail to be re-routed using new land



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Merriam Farm – Discussion regarding designation of Merriam Farm as a town forest; Eric Radloff, town forester, recommends; submission of warrant article for vote in March, 2020. Vote: affirmative 4-0

Raymond Park – Discussion to include Raymond Park in ARC GIS trail mapping project, Deb to obtain quote from NRPC

Merriam Cutter – Kiosk map was removed by vandals; Deb will contact printer to obtain quote for new kiosk maps and obtain a new lock for kiosk

Peabody Town Forest – Trail Adopter report – old maple taps to be removed; ATV damage on trails, further information needed; discussion of installation of no littering sign; camper parked overnight in parking lot, police to be contacted by Trail Adopter

Present: Gayle Plouffe, Paul Plouffe, Ed Kavanaugh, Nick Spanos, Fred Rourke, Jr., Brian Zahn, Linda Irish-Simpson, Al Steward, Scott Bowden, Paul Gagnon, Bob Lamoureux, Deborah Waters

Adjourn: 8:45 p.m.