



TOWN OF PELHAM

6 Village Green
Pelham, NH 03076

FORESTRY COMMITTEE

MEETING AGENDA

February 22, 2021

7:00 P.M. – 8:22 P.M.

Eric Radlof, Town Forester

Presentation of Cut-to-Length Timber Harvesting – method of taking whole trees and stripping branches and cutting trunk into standard lengths all in one machine called a Processor; Forwarder is loaded with standard length logs and carried to landing for sorting and pick up; tree branches used to stabilize logging trails; this method is useful for situations with limited access; landings are smaller; may be useful technique for Calitri/Moose Pond and Quarry Lots.

Review of Invasive Species Plan – Eric will review properties with known invasive species and devise a schedule for treatment on a yearly basis.

Work Schedule for 2021 – Management Plan for Calitri/Moose Pond will be drafted; timber harvests planned for Cutter Merriam, Spalding Hill Wood Lot, Calitri/Moose Pond and Merriam Farm.

Review of Wetlands Statutory Permit by Notification (SPN) for Trails – Wetlands Rules changed in 2019. Trails Permit needed for any work on wetland areas that requires bridges.

Trail Adopter Reports – Report for Cutler Spalding - needs work in the spring; Report for Long Trail - needs trail work and graffiti removal in the spring; Calitri – needs blocking logs and graffiti removal in the spring; Peabody - people using the town forest for many winter activities.



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Correspondence Review – Safety Committee Letter approving parking lot on Mammoth Road for Merriam Farm Town Forest; Conservation Commission letter approving waiver for trails in 100-foot prime wetland buffer at Merriam Farm Town Forest

Budget Update – tight budget due to yearly warrant article inadvertently not making it to the ballot this year.

Administrative Matters – nothing discussed.

Members present via Zoom: Paul Gagnon, Charlie Gale, Deborah Waters, Gayle Plouffe

Absent: Bob Lamoureux

Adjourn: 8:22 p.m.

Submitted by Deborah Waters, Chairman