**TOWN FOREST COMMITTEE (TFC)**

**MINUTES (DRAFT)**

**DATE: FEBRUARY 7, 2024**

**MEMBERS PRESENT:** Jeff Crosby, Chairman; Woody Bowne, Vice-Chair; Fred Mullen, Treasurer; Ron Jarvis, Secretary;

Bryan Comeau, Forester

**MEMBERS ABSENT:** None

**PREVIOUS MINUTES:** Accepted as presented.

**TREASURERS REPORT:** Accepted as presented

**OLD BUSINESS:**

**NEW BUSINESS:**

The TFC was informed that before they could assume control of Town lots, they had to be so designated at Town Meeting in March. This appeared to be previously unknown by the TFC Membership. There was some discussion concerning whether or not the TFC could enter into negotiation with a landowner without prior approval from the Town Meeting. After some discussion, and admitting that we didn’t have all the facts, the members decided to take a wait and see attitude since it appeared that nothing substantive could be done prior to the Town Meeting.

Forester Bryan Comeau suggested that postponing any timber harvest till after

Town Meeting might delay the planned timber harvesting normally done when

the ground is frozen to minimize the impact of logging. We may have to wait

till later when the ground dries out.

Ron Jarvis reported that he had talked to Line Comeau concerning whether or

not any upcoming Warrant Article designating lots as Town Forests would

affect whether or not the TFC would still receive the proceeds from timber

harvests. She assured Ron that the TFC would still receive any funds

generated.

**ACTION ITEMS:**

**MEETING ADJORNED:** 8:45 PM

**NEXT MEETING:** May 1, 2024, at 7:30 pm at the Dunbarton Fire

Station

**RESPECTFULLY**

**SUBMITTED:**  Ronald D. Jarvis, Secretary