TOWN FOREST COMMITTEE MINUTES – draft copy

**DATE:** August 5, 2020

**MEMBERS PRESENT:** Jeff Crosby, Chair; Woody Bowne, Vice Chair; Fred Mullen, Treasurer;

 Bryan Comeau, Forester; Ron Jarvis, Secretary

**MEMBERS ABSENT:** None

**PREVIOUS MINUTES:** February meeting minutes were accepted as presented.

 May meeting was cancelled due to Covid 19.

**TREASURERS REPORT:** Treasurers report was accepted as read.

**OLD BUSINESS:** Bryan Comeau spoke to the owner of the lot beside the Transfer Station

 once again. The owner felt our offer of $80,000.00 was too low so the

 Committee in the following motion authorized Bryan to offer more.

Motion: To authorize Bryan Comeau to offer the owners of

lot I2-02-01up to $95,000.00 in increments as he sees fit. The motion

passed.

 The Committee feels that the parcel is rocky and wet and not a good

prospect for development. However it remains a good prospect for future

timber harvest.

It was brought to the attention of the TFC that a hunter wanted to bait deer

on TFC property. There was some discussion both for and against. In the

end it was decided that the TFC would deny the request making it

consistent with the two other land management committees in town, the

*Conservation Commission* and the *Kuncanowet Town Forest and*

*Conservation Area Management Committee*.

Motion: To deny baiting of dear and bear on Town Forest controlled

lands. Passed

At the February 2020 meeting the committee agreed that a granite bound marker should be placed on the Rt. 77 common roadside corner between the TFC Crosby Lot (I2-02-03) and the Marcou Lot (I2-02-04) to replace the missing pipe marker. Fred Mullen volunteered to get prices to perform the work. Belanger Surveying gave a price of $2,100.00 plus the cost of the bounds and pins and Bartlett Surveying gave a price of $5100.00.

Unsure of the of the reason for the discrepancy, the committee decided to submit a more concise scope of work to be completed so we were sure that the work was priced out comparably.

**NEW BUSINESS:** Woody explained that an idea has been put forward to create more storage

at the transfer station by using a couple shipping containers with a roof on

top. There are no final plans and he was just giving the committee a

heads-up since the TFC controls the land.

**CORRESPONDENCE**  Bids

**ACTION ITEMS:** Ron Jarvis will write a Scope of Work as mentioned above to be submitted

 to the committee for further suggestions and approval before being sent to

surveying companies.

**MEETING ADJOURNED:** 9:00 pm

**NEXT MEETING:** Wednesday, November 4, 2020 at 7:30 at the Fire Station

**RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED:** Ron Jarvis, Secretary