TOWN FOREST COMMITTEE MINUTES - Draft

**DATE:** November 4th, 2020

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

Bryan Comeau, Forester; Ron Jarvis, Secretary

**MEMBERS ABSENT:** None

**PREVIOUS MINUTES:** August 2020 meeting minutes were accepted as presented.

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

**OLD BUSINESS:** Bryan Comeau spoke to the realtor selling parcel I2-02-01 once again.

The owner felt our original offer of $80,000.00 was too low so Bryan offered $90,000.00 as he was authorized to do by the Committee. The realtor seemed positive, but the owner hasn’t responded to date.

As reported in the February 2020 minutes “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.” Bartlett Surveying gave a second quote of $7,760.00.

With the possibility of the purchase of Lot I2-02-03 and the unknown cost of a forest management plan discussed at this meeting, it was decided to hold off on the bound marker for lot I2-02-03 until a later date. Ron Jarvis volunteered to write a thank you note to the surveying companies thanking them for responding and explain that the Committee is not capable to move forward with the surveying at this time.

**NEW BUSINESS:** Jeff Crosby mentioned that he would like to dump gravel from some Ray

Road work to fill a hole to the right of the solar panels on the land which

the TFC controls. The committee saw no problem and told Jeff the same.

Jeff also mentioned that perhaps we should have a Forest Management

Plan (FMP) for all of the parcels that we control. Bryan Comeau who is a

forester explained the various types of FMPs from general to specific

stands. He explained that correct management planning can assure a

steady money stream in the future. Bryan has done many of these and said

if he had the lot numbers he could give the committee a rough idea of the

cost. Ron Jarvis said he had the lot info including the acreage and would

email that info to Bryan.

**CORRESPONDENCE**  A bid was received from Bartlett Surveying for $7,760.00.

**ACTION ITEMS:** Ron Jarvis will write a thank you note to the surveying companies.

Ron will send the lot numbers and acreages of TFC lots to Bryan Comeau.

**MEETING ADJOURNED:** 9:00 pm

**NEXT MEETING:** Wednesday, February 3, 2021 at 7:30 at the Fire Station

**RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED:** Ron Jarvis, Secretary