



## Town Forest Committee

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### Meeting Minutes – September 14, 2017

- Approved 10/12/17 -

**Present:** Pat Mainer (Chair), Brent Francis, Chris Haviland, Steve Russell, Corinne Johansson, Stewart Pierson

**Absent:** Julie Gruenholz, Aaron Townsend, Kevin Hans

**Guests:** Ethan Tapper (Chittenden County Forester)

#### Call to Order

Pat called the meeting of the Town Forest Committee to order at 7:00 p.m. on September 14, 2017.

Presentation by Harris Roen of Long Meadow Resource Management of the Draft Forest Management Plan as a Supplement to the Hinesburg Town Forest Management Plan adopted September 2012 is available

#### Additions/Deletions to Agenda

NONE

#### Public Comment

NONE

#### Discussion/Approval of July 19, 2017 Minutes

Chris moved to approve the minutes of July 19, 2017. Brent seconded. The minutes were unanimously approved.

#### Treasurer's Report

Brent reported that there is a total of \$3,411.20 in the HTF accounts which includes \$887.61 in the FY2017 Annual Budget, and \$2,523.59 in the Reserve Account (from Log Sales). A sum just under \$1,000.00 is owed to Long Meadow Resource Management. Stewart moved and Steve seconded to approve this report. The motion was unanimously approved.

## Updates

- **Butternut & Apple Tree Release in the HTF and Brush Hogging:** Review of the project with Ethan and Harris' input. Steve moved to authorize up to \$1,300.00 to pay Jesse Labrecque to mow the four small apple orchards. Stewart seconded. The motion passed with one abstention.
- **Tree Planting on the LHTF Flood Plain:** VYCC would like to do the project. Pat and Ethan walked the area with VYCC to discuss the best placement and species. VYCC suggested funding to assist in leveraging their work. Steve moved the committee appropriate \$300.00 to the project, Corrine seconded. The motion passed unanimously.
- **Invasive Info for Kiosks:** Delay until next spring.

## New Business

**Boy Scout Request for work projects:** The boundary painting and brushing. Invasive species removal. Cleanup of plastic from old tree plantings.

## Next Meeting

October 12, 2017, 7:00 p.m., Town Hall Lowest level conference room

## Adjournment

Steve moved to adjourn the meeting. Stewart seconded. The motion was unanimously approved. Pat adjourned the meeting at 8:49 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by Chris Haviland