



Town Forest Committee

Town of Hinesburg
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Meeting Minutes - May 10, 2018

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Present: Pat Mainer (Chair), Brent Francis, Chris Haviland, Corinne Johansson, Stewart Pierson, Jon Trefry

Absent: Aaron Townsend, Darren Johnson

Call To Order

Pat called the meeting of the Town Forest Committee to order at 7:00 p.m. on May 10, 2018

Additions/Deletions to Agenda

None

Public Comment

None

CVU Students Working on HTF History Documentary

Interviews are progressing.

Discussion/Approval of April 12, 2018 Minutes

John moved to approve the minutes of April 12, 2018. Corinne seconded. The minutes were unanimously approved.

Treasurer's Report

Stewart reported that there is a total of \$1,911.90 in the HTF accounts which includes \$982.87 in the FY2017 Annual Budget, and \$929.03 in the Reserve Account. John moved to approve the report. Corinne seconded. The report was approved.

Updates

- Inventory and Assessment Select board approval: The Select Board will address it at the next meeting.
- Recreation study grant update: Progressing.
- Signs: Need to obtain posts to mount the signs.
- Advertising on kiosks: Pat contacted the Hinesburg Business and Professional Assoc. but has not heard back.
- Shittake mushroom project (Stewart): No update

- LHTF 2018 floodplain tree planting: Previously used tree planting sleeves were preserved to minimize the quantity that will need to be purchased. Planting will happen in the fall.
- Carpenter Carse Library program: Library program with Ethan will be August 21st in the evening. Two walks in the town forest will take place in September, the 22nd and 29th.
- LHTF Management Plan renewal: Management plan will need to be updated in the near term. Compliance to grant moneys and complying with stakeholder agreements need to be addressed. Form a sub-committee to examine. John, Stewart and Pat.

New Business

- CVU seniors work on May 29: Mickey Stone has some projects and will manage. Trail cleaning, invasive eradication.
- Steve Russell: Steve passed on April 27th. He was on the town forest committee when it was first mentioned in the town report of 1963. Steve's expertise and institutional knowledge will be missed on the committee, to say nothing of his friendship and diplomatic demeanor. A sponsored hike/bike event in the forest was suggested by the members and the FOTW.

Discussion/Possible Spending Items

- Boundary marking materials: Budget was discussed. Stewart moved to expense up to \$400 for materials. Corinne seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

Next Meeting

June 14, 2018, 7:00 p.m., Town Hall Lowest Level Conference Room

Adjournment

Stewart moved to adjourn the meeting. Chris seconded. The motion was unanimously approved. Pat adjourned the meeting at 8:42 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by Chris Haviland