

Minutes F.X Shea Town Forest. Nov. 18, 2012 Town Hall Corinth, VT

Present: Frank Roderick, Penny Andrew, Dina DuBois, Kevin Eaton

Absent: Greg Manning, Courtney Haynes

NEXT MEETING January 16, 2013 Corinth Town Hall 7PM.

Meeting after next: Feb. 20, 2013, 7PM Corinth Town Hall.

Acting Chair Val Stori called the meeting to order at 7:07pm.

I. New Chair and committee members.

A.

Committee

Laura Brill and Julie Krouse are interested in attending a meeting, after they return to Corinth in a few months, to determine what role they might want to play. Penny will ask Dick Kelley. Val will ask the McFarlands. Frank will ask Ben Machin. Kevin will ask Steve Long. Dina will speak to Greg about shifting to being a volunteer/consultant for the forest as night meetings are hard for him and a quorum is needed.

Kevin wondered about what skills we might be looking for: carpentry? Environmental education? Policy. Kevin led a discussion on the role of the chair person: run the meeting, create the agenda, point of contact with the select board and town administration, oversee coordinator. The role of the coordinator was briefly discussed: work with committee, work on follow up, write grants, plan activities. Val has the goal to finish the management plan. That takes 1-2 years. Actions leading to a plan include, public events, public comments, writing a draft, test it out with public.

B.

Chair? Motion made that Frank Roderick and Kevin will co-chair the Forest Committee meetings for six months of this transition period. Kevin will help Val create agendas for and moderate the meetings; Frank will be the liaison to the town. Dina moved, Penny seconded. All in favor. Val will inform Allan Locke on the select board.

Val will work up a document on the responsibility of the chair and the coordinator.

I.

EVENTS. Val will check with Courtney about *winter tree ID walk* dates.

II.

DEC.9th TRAIL CLEARING. 1-3pm Dina will ask Greg about chain saw. Ginny has long nails. Penny has the markers. Mary Holland will be asked about doing a *Animals in Winter walk*. (two groups of 20?)

III.

FULL MOON SNOW SHOW WALK Feb. 23 times to be determined next meeting.

IV.

III Management Plan. Val will collate the responses collected at town hall and on line. If there are narratives included Dina will look for a themes. Next meeting will have the profile of what the forest looks like, location, purpose etc. Discussion followed about how to further involved the public: getting people together to have a discussion, Kevin thought after events there could be informal comments from attendees about forest use. Dina suggested small meetings at peoples homes to invite people who had out the questionnaire(if there are names) and those who had not. Then draft a plan created and seek input in the next town Newsletter. In February. Also there is a newsletter in May.

V.

Next meetings: Frank moved the next meeting to be Jan.16,2013, Kevin seconded. All in favor. Dina moved to schedule a meeting Feb. 20, 2013. Kevin seconded. All in favor.

Motion to adjourn by Frank moved, Penny seconded. All in favor. 8:35PM

Respectfully submitted, Dina DuBois

