

Minutes F.X.Shea Town Forest Committee Meeting Sept. Sept. 14, 2015 7:00PM Corinth Town Hall

Present: committee members Frank Roderick, Kevin Eaton,
Courtney Haynes
Absent: Val Stori

Dina DuBois,

I. Change to agenda. The order of agenda changed to meeting Roderick's need to go between this meeting and the select board meeting. Neighbor feedback, Map report and boundary discussions will be when he can participate. Also added "old business. Dina moved, Courtney seconded. All in favor.

II. Action on Minutes of July 28, 2015. Change numbers on next meeting agenda. Courtney moved, Kevin seconded. All in favor.

III. Old business.

A. *Events.* Forestry Artristry idea for fall event not followed up on with April the art teacher at the school. Dina will do. Discuss sharing cost with school for an artist leader. Wild flower walk cancelled due to leader not available and that there are not many flowers in summer due to leaf cover. The Sept 12 trail clearing was postponed.

B. *Website.* Dina will follow up with Anne McKinsey to see if she might post forest event photos for less money if there were fewer pictures and no slideshow.

C. *Forest entry.* Kevin put up the gate. Will ask road crew will clean out ditch. Maybe water bar needed. Gate is high enough to pass over snow. Need a no vehicle sign. Event to paint the gate with tracks, leaves. Dina moved to pay Kevin \$50 for the gate. Courtney second. All in favor.

D. *Digital drive for forest documents.* Dina moved to reimburse Courtney for \$34.99 for the thumb drive. Courtney seconded. All in favor.

E. *Land Trust review of forest.* Frank went with the UVLT person . All is well from their POV. Frank noted that western part of orange loop has some trees down and will require chain saw work for clearing.

F. *Forest Map.* Courtney has corrected the map for the small "postcards". Will email to Dina. Contour lines for large map may need to be hand done.

IV. Neighbor feedback. Courtney reported: Nancy Eilertsen called and is fine with the boundary. Katherine Desmond emailed. She had walked the boundary with former owner. Concerns were to restrict hunters from possible guns shots toward the residence. Post no trespassing, no hunting signs and advise her to post hunter safety zone posters. She also is concerned about the aesthetics of painting the trees for boundaries. There are standard practices for boundary painting that need to be consistent across forestry practice. Michael Ray called and would like to walk the boundary. He has the foundation near the parking area in the town right of way. After Oct. 15 Frank and Courtney will meet with neighbors to discuss any issues late in October. Possibly Oct. 21 . Courtney will contact.

V. Boundary painting. Early November with forestry paint gun borrowed from Redstart Forestry. Use their paint and reimburse. Courtney will contact UVLT for standard for forest delineation signs.

VI. Three fold handout. Kevin will draft trail descriptions and work with Courtney on that and the map.

VII. Events. Trail Clearing Sunday October 18th from 1-3 and to 4 if needed. Public to bring hand tools. COmmiottee to bring weed wrench and chain saw, Dina will post three times on LRn. And check with Nancy Ertle about deadline for Corinth newsletter. Ask Val to send to list serves (her usual list). And to the email list including those who signed up on the questionnaire or at events.

The next meeting is Wednesday Oct. 21

7:00PM at the Corinth Town Hall.

Agenda: 1. Agenda changes. 2. Action on Minutes. 3. Old Business. 4. Budget report 5. StoryWalk report. 6. Trail descriptions 7. Neighbor meeting.

Vote to adjourn 8:40PM. Courtney moved. Dina seconded. All in favor.