#### In Attendance

Member	Appointed/Representing	Staff	Representing
Gail Hanson	Governor & Council	Clint Savage	DPR – Trails Bureau
Harry Brown	Governor & Council	Sandy Young	DPR – Parks Bureau
Hasen Burns	Town of Stewartstown	Johanna Lyons	DPR – Parks Bureau
Darrin Jock	Town of Pittsburg		
Richard Judd	Town of Pittsburg		
Ken Hastings	President of the Senate		
Gene Chandler	Speaker of the House		
Eric Stohl	Speaker of the House		
Charlie Levesque	Leaseholder Association		
Patrick Hackley	DNCR – DFL (Designee)		
Jill Kilborn	NHFG Department (Designee)		
David DeGuttola	LandVest (Designee)		

#### **Absent**

Ray Gorman Coos County Commissioner

Ray DeMaio Town of Clarksville

Jim Gallagher Department of Environmental Services

#### **Welcome and Introductions**

Chair Gail Hanson opened the meeting a few minutes after 10:00am. She welcomed Eric Stohl as a new appointee to the committee and asked the members to introduce themselves.

## **Minutes**

Revised minutes were distributed and Gail asked for a motion to accept the minutes, Charlie Levesque motioned to accept the minutes and Richard Judd seconded the motion. There was discussion about what the intent of Phil Bryce's statement on the recreation/road plan due in 2022. No language was agreed upon and the revised minutes were approved. Eric Stohl abstained from the vote.

#### **New Business**

The Chair and DPR staff received an email from Debbie Briscoe from the NH Horse Council about equestrian use on trails. She will ask Johanna to distribute to the committee and will discuss at the next meeting.

#### **Old Business**

- 1. Budget/Fiscal Committee: Sandy Young reported that the Governor and Executive Council approved the revised budget increasing the stewardship budget by \$149,000 and the road budget by \$242,000. Remaining balances in the stewardship reserve \$358,000 and \$424,000 in the road reserve.
  - a. Discussion: Harry Brown asked what the status of the sub-committee is, Gene Chandler replied that a follow up meeting was cancelled due to Sandy and Phil schedules. A meeting will be scheduled for November/December when they are available.
  - b. Discussion: Harry Brown proposed a motion to ask Phil to provide a timeframe to identify the needs financially to maintain the property for the landowner and recreation plan. The motion wasn't seconded.

2. 20<sup>th</sup> Anniversary: Charlie recommends waiting until 2023 to celebrate the 20<sup>th</sup> anniversary.

### **Monitoring**

- 1. NHFG Report (Jill Kilborn): No report
- 2. DFL Report (Patrick Hackley): Maggie Machinist and Todd Caron have spent time doing site visits at the camps. Summer operations review planned for next week. DFL is having discussions about the Road/Recreation plans with DPR and how they can assist. CLTC has been granted permission to cross the Connecticut Lakes State Forest. DFL staff have been doing timber inventory on the CLNA with NHFG. DFL staff has tightened up tracking of time spent monitoring the easement and working on the property to properly account for time and expense.
  - a. Discussion: Charlie suggested exploring monitoring by aerial photography, it better shows changes in landscape over time; maybe partner with UNH. Jill volunteered that land trusts do similar monitoring this way.

### **Public Recreational use**

- 1. DPR Report (Sandy Young):
  - a. Cedar Stream Road: DES will provide additional gravel. West Branch of Cedar Stream bridge being looked at for permitting.
  - b. Deadwater Loop Bridge: material on-site, waiting for permit.
  - c. Carr Ridge Road: Partnering with NHFG.
- 2. NHFG Report: No report Discussion on inviting law enforcement to discuss ATV use on the property at a future meeting.

# State Park, Natural Area and Lake Francis Impoundment Management

- DPR Report (Sandy Young): Lake Francis SP, Coleman SP and Deer Mountain Campground have all been very busy this year. The region is very short staffed. Coleman SP was appropriated ARPA funds for Lodge renovations.
- 2. NHFG Report (Jill Kilborn): Working on the roads and mowing.
- 3. DES Report: No report

# **Plan Revisions and Easement Amendments**

- Public Access, Recreation Management and Road Management: Patrick relayed that DFL has
  offered to assist DPR in updating the plan. Still need to decide if it will be a full revision or
  amendment.
  - a. Discussion: Can funding be used for extra staff? Yes, it is usually consultants that are hired.
- 2. Stewardship Plan: Forest management plan has been submitted, follow up information to be sent next week and will be reviewed.

# **Lease Camps**

- 1. CLTC is updating the lease agreements with fee increase.
- 2. 7 remaining camp sites are on hold, CLTC is maintaining a list of people who are interested.

### Landowner Recreational Improvements: Nothing to report

### **Public Comment**

1. Charlie Levesque thanked Sandy for agreeing to attend the leaseholder annual meeting 10/9. He also thanked the landowner for the care in the forest management around his camp.

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2. Richard Judd motioned to create a recreation sub-committee to discuss what is allowed, what isn't per the easement and what is the need of the community. Gene seconded the motion. Richard volunteered to chair the committee and the following members volunteered to participate; Harry Brown, Jill Kilborn, Eric Stohl, Darrin Jock, Charlie Levesque and Dave DeGruttola. There was discussion that the sub-committee could assist in developing a scope of work for a potential consultant to tackle. Harry Brown volunteered to seek funding through grants and other charitable organizations.

Harry Brown motioned to adjourn the meeting at 11:05am, seconded by Hasen Burns

Respectfully Submitted, Johanna Lyons