

Randolph Forest Commission

Draft Minutes

Date: July 7, 2021
Location: Randolph Town Hall
Members Present: John Scarinza, Chairman, Laura Brockett, Mark Kelley,

The Chairman called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM

- I. Minutes of the June 2021 meeting were read, and approved.
- II. Expenses: LandVest Invoice for May Service in the amount of \$2,633.60 which included planning brontosaurus work for Dirt2Trees2Wildlife Project, lot lines, maple tap expansion and Pond of Safety project.
- III. Annual Forest Day 2021 - There is a plan to return to having an Annual Forest Day, after putting it on hold, during Covid 19. David Forsyth has agreed to make a presentation on August 7 on Birds of the Randolph Town Forest. His presentation will begin in the Town Hall at 9:30 AM, followed by a visit to the Farar Farm site to discuss all the species spotted on this plot, and some tips on when to view them and where some of the key locations can be found.
- IV. Interpretive Trail Brochures - Laura Brockett mentioned that the brochure rack was low, and Mark said there are more available. Laura offered to maintain the brochure rack, since she is in the area on a regular basis. It was also mentioned that rather than brochures and numbered locations, we should consider having signs at each of the locations with the information for each location printed on the sign. This will eliminate needing brochures, and allow people who come across the trail from a different direction, to enjoy the self-guided tour. We will discuss this plan further, at the September meeting.
- V. Kiosk Signage - Laura also mentioned that the current condition of the Kiosk sign on Randolph Hill is in poor shape, and may need to be replaced. John mentioned that sign at the Pond of Safety parking lot is also in poor condition, so plans should be made to replace them. The members will investigate alternative sign materials for discussion at the September meeting.

With no further business to discuss, the meeting was adjourned at 7:28 PM. The next gathering will be the Annual Forest Day, held Saturday August 7, 2021, at 9:30 AM in the Randolph Town Hall.