

Randolph Forest Commission

Draft Minutes

Date: September 5, 2018
Location: Randolph Town Hall
Members Present: John Scarinza, Chairman, Laura Brockett, Jeff Parker, Mark Kelley
Alternate Members: David Willcox
Others Present: Michelle Cormier

The Chairman called the meeting to order at 7:05 PM and appointed David Willcox to sit as an alternate for Walter Graff.

- I. Minutes from the July 2018 meeting were reviewed and approved.
- II. Invoices for the month included:
 - a. LandVest for \$744.16 to cover the time of David DeGruttola work in July.
 - b. University of NH Dirt-Trees-Wildlife (DTW) July Charges for a total of \$1,618.86
 - c. White Mountain Lumber two invoices, totaling \$419.97 to purchase filter fabric for the trail to Rollo Falls.
- III. Signs for Rollo Falls were organized by Laura Brockett and put in place prior to the Annual Forest Tour. Comments from the public were that these signs looked nice and very appropriate. One thought is to make a small change in the trailhead, allowing people to go down the rail-trail, and then into the woods before hitting the new trails. This keeps all activities on either the rail trail or the RCF. This also keeps people away from an existing wet spot.
- IV. Jeremiah Hawkins attended on behalf of the Randolph Ramble, which will be held on November 21st. A few changes in the plan are to have the event one week earlier to avoid some conflicts, there will be a food truck in the parking lot at the end of Randolph Hill Road, and there will be a separate event the night prior at Hub North, in Gorham, to promote the Randolph Ramble. The Forest Commission approved the changes and looked forward to the event.
- V. Jeremiah Hawkins also was representing the Glades Skiing, to confirm that plans are still on for another year of skiing on the backcountry trails that have been built. There is a work day for the glade area scheduled for November 24th, the Saturday after Thanksgiving, and all are invited.
- VI. John Scarinza reported that the wildlife openings are in the process of being mowed, at the Pond of Safety, the Farrer Farm as well as the end of Randolph Hill Road, and some roads that are done on a rotating basis. NH Fish & Game has some money available, which we are applying to

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obtain for additional wildlife openings in and around the apple trees on the new trail to Rollo Falls. This will be discussed further at the next meeting.

With no further business to discuss, the meeting was adjourned at 7:39 PM. The next meeting will be held Wednesday, October 3, 2018, at 7:00 PM in the Randolph Town Hall.