

# Randolph Forest Commission

**Date:** March 2, 2016  
**Location:** Randolph Town Hall  
**Members Present:** John Scarinza – Chairman, Walter Graff, Jeff Parker, Mark Kelley, and Alternate Member, David Willcox  
**Others Present:** Michelle Cormier, Jennifer Barton Scarinza, Edith Tucker, Nathan Wadsworth, Karl Buckley, Jack Wadsworth, Brendan Prusik, Haven Neal, Kevin Lemire, David DeGruttola, John Steward, John Lanier

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

- I. Minutes of the February 2016 meeting were reviewed and approved.
- II. The chairman distributed an aid for questioning the three candidates, which was prepared by Brendan Prusik, of the UNH Cooperative Extension. The aid listed key topics on which the Commissioners should be focusing, such as familiarity with the Second Stewardship Plan for the RCF, comfort with leading public forest tours and communication skills, comfort with maple tapping on a managed forest, experience with managing for the wildlife habitats and GIS capabilities. Representatives of three land managers were on hand to make presentations for the position of Town Forester.
- III. The first to present was Wadsworth Woodlands, represented by Jack Wadsworth, Nathan Wadsworth and Karl Buckley from Hiram, Maine. After the presentation, the team accepted questions from the commission and Brendan Prusik, County Forester.
- IV. Landvest was represented by Kevin Lemire, David DeGruttola and John Steward. After the presentation, the team accepted questions from the commission and Brendan Prusik, County Forester.
- V. Haven Neal, Consulting Forester and John Lanier, Wildlife Consultant. After the presentation, the team accepted questions from the commission and Brenda Prusik, County Forester.

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- VI. After the three organization had left, the Commissioners took the opportunity to discuss the candidates and rank them from one to three to see if there might be a consensus among the members present. Following that straw poll, certain Commissioners were asked to check references of the various organizations and report their findings at the next meeting.
- VII. John Scarinza presented a proposed pricing structure from Fuller's Sugar House for the sap, which will be harvested from the Town Forest beginning in the Spring of 2017. This pricing structure was based on the number of taps and was projected out for the entire 15 year lease period with a 3% annual increase in the rate. Members of the commission asked John Scarinza to review the pricing with Dave Fuller to try and establish a periodic price review within that plan. John Scarinza will discuss this with Dave Fuller, and report back to the RFC at the next meeting.

With no further business to discuss, the meeting was adjourned at 9:50 PM.

The next meeting will be held Wednesday April 6, at 7:00 PM in the Randolph Town Hall.