**Tucker Mountain Town Forest Management Committee**

**3/18/19**

**The meeting was called to order at 6:40 pm** in the conference room of the Town Offices.

**Attendees:** Tom Kidder- Co-Chair, Dianne Norton-Co-Chair, Kirk Morrison, & John Nininger

**Minutes** - The minutes from the last meeting were presented. A motion was made and the minutes were accepted as written.

**Recap from previous VLT meeting -** A discussion ensued regarding information presented by VLT at our previous meeting. Where do we go with that information? Items touched upon included:

* When to finalize the Management Plan
	+ How long should it take?
	+ What additional items should be included?
* Public information planning as mentioned by VLT
	+ Purpose – to educate and survey the public’s needs and thoughts
	+ Put out information & solicit public response via a Facebook page, Survey Monkey, Listserv, etc.
	+ Dianne will research Survey Monkey and Kirk will approach someone to create and maintain a new Tucker Mountain Facebook page
* We will possibly host two different public meetings, at Tenney Library and W. Newbury Hall
	+ Aim for Tuesday, May 7th and Thursday, May 16th
	+ Tom will talk to Mary Burnham at Tenney regarding space
	+ Discussion about possible refreshments

**New member** – Tom will see if there is enough time at Wednesday’s Select Board meeting to nominate Cortney Blake as a new member for the committee.

**Questions for next meeting** – Everyone is tasked with coming up with questions for Dave Paganelli at the next meeting. Suggestions included honeysuckle management, combining the two current management plans, timber stand management, how to entice the beavers to return, how & when to cut to combine with trail-making, and possible projects involving Riverbend students.

**Invitations for future meetings** – The Committee discussed inviting law enforcement and the game warden to future meetings. It was noted that Audubon sometimes does bird inventories. Tom will approach law enforcement about attending our June 3rd meeting.

**Management Plan** – All Committee members are asked to read the Interim Management Plan (which includes new, proposed revisions) and be prepared to discuss it at the next meeting.

**The meeting was adjourned at 8:00 pm**. The next meeting will be held on Monday, April 1, 2019.

Respectfully submitted by: Dianne Norton