Forestry Committee Meeting Minutes of January 9, 2017

Present: T. Miller, Carter Brown, Kim DiPietro, Graham Pendlebury, Joe Constance Tom Miller called the meeting to order at 5:35 PM.

Kim DiPietro offered several corrections to the minutes of two past meetings and moved they be accepted with changes. G. Pendlebury seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

TM discussed status of contract for the cut at the Transfer Station and ball field on Old Coach Road which had been published. He stated that at least four firms were interested. He noted that we would need a special meeting to discuss and accept the winning bid.

Carter Brown, Treasurer, said there was little activity to report. The balance in the fund is \$26,826.72. K.DiPietro moved to accept his report. G. Pendlebury seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

T. Miller stated he still needs the tally from the completed sample plots on the Colby lot. C. Brown said he would email them to him after he made corrections to GIS information.

The Committee then reviewed the work sheet for the Colby lot under the formatted given by the New Hampshire Tree Farm system. Information on the property was compiled and given to J. Constance to coordinate.

K. DiPietro then gave a report on the progress she and Marilyn Seguin had made on the Forestry Committee files. She stated that Marilyn was creating field files with master and field files copies which would be maintained in the locked cabinet upstairs at the Town Hall. The Masters should remain in the locked cabinet while the field files could be taken into the field and updated as needed. Right now Maryln is working on Folansbee lot.

T. Miller hoped that John Nute could visit the Colby lot around the last week of January after tallying up sample plots. T. Miller will set up time and day.

New Business

T. Miller stated that a preliminary study of the lot lines of the Folansbee lot was needed to be followed by a survey with sample plots. K. DiPietro is currently working on the documentation for the lot. She noted that the Committee still needed to come to an agreement with the road Agent as to the right of way on Saunders Hill.

A preliminary site walk for the lot was set for January 14th at 9:00 A.M. T. Miller has also asked that Willard Dodge assist the committee to clarify boundaries. A more formal survey of the boundaries would then follow.

A brief discussion of the process with which the bids for the work on Old Coach Road would be evaluated then took place. T. Miller emphasized that the loggers would have to adhere strictly to the conditions of the bid specifications and the work completed by the dated indicated. References and past performances of the logging firm would also be most important. All were in agreement.

K. DiPietro moved to adjourn the meeting at 6:40 P.M. C. Brown seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.