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48 Mr. Major asked if someone led a hike. Mr. Butler noted he does usually lead a group of
49 people. Those that know the forest can go out on their own. Mr. Carey offered to be the
50 fire master.

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52 Mr. Butler suggested if the event gets cancelled due to weather, they could do a daytime
53 one the following week.

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55 **Trails Update**

56 Mr. Major noted he still hasn't heard back from Tim Peloquin. He would just like to get a
57 topographic map of the land. Mr. Miller noted it would be better if he had a map to scale.

58 Mr. Major noted that Mr. Traeger is helping to get in touch with him.

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60 Mr. Butler gave Mr. Major the GPS.

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62 **New Business**

63 Mr. Carey attended the Vermont Greenscape Association Tradeshow and he obtained
64 some information about invasive insects in NH. He suggested that Charlie Moreno could
65 discuss this with them and they could discuss if there was anything they could do about
66 it. He handed out some brochures with detailed information about the various species.

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69 Members agreed they should get in touch with Charlie Moreno to do an updated Forestry
70 Management Plan. Mr. Carey noted that when they do the Forestry Management Plan,
71 they use the funds in the Forestry Management Account. They want the properties to be
72 self funded so they do cutting and use those proceeds to pay for maintaining the land.

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74 The Forestry Management Plan should be placed at the town library and town clerk's
75 office. Mr. Moreno prefers no electronic copies be placed on the website. It is public
76 information but it is his proprietary information and he prefers no electronic copies.

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79 Mr. Carey suggested having Ms. Cairns do the annual report update. Members thought it
80 should include the properties the Commission has purchased, the Eagle Scout project,
81 permit work and the forestry cut.

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84 Mr. Butler proposed getting some kind of sign put up at the Community Garden. He may
85 have to go to Zoning to get a bigger sign since he wanted something larger than what was
86 permissible. Mr. Miller noted that if you are going to take the effort to put up a sign, you
87 should cut all the brush by the road so you can see the sign and the garden.

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90 Members discussed the potential warrant article to lower the current use change tax
91 contribution to Conservation and different talking points they could bring up. Mr. Major
92 noted there was a study that Mr. Traeger produced, that adding homes did not necessarily

93 add tax revenue. Mr. Major asked Mr. Traeger to update that study and apply it to the
94 current market value and give the Commission that information so members could talk
95 about it intelligently.

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97 Mr. Butler noted NH Association of Conservation Commissions has a lot of information
98 on their website. He noted they have an access code to get into a separate section of the
99 website with more information. Ms. Cairns will contact them and find out what the access
100 code is. He suggested Ms. Cairns mention to them that there is a potential warrant article
101 and see if they have any information they could send us. He noted the Commission needs
102 to approach all other groups and ask them to help spread the word and inform people.

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104 **MOTION:** Mr. Butler made a motion to adjourn. Mr. Major seconded the motion. All members
105 voted unanimously in favor. The motion passed. MEETING ADJOURNED at 8:10 p.m.

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107 Respectfully Submitted,



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109 Andrea Cairns