

# Community Forest Management Plan Committee

## March 20, 2023 Meeting Minutes

*The Town of Barre Community Forest Management Plan Committee held its Twelfth meeting on Monday, March 20, 2023, starting at 6:00pm. The meeting was held in Conference Room #3 in the Municipal Building at 149 Websterville Road. Committee members present included: David Rouleau, Lori Bernier (remotely), Larry Rogacki, Jim West, Patty Meriam (remote), and Dean Preston. Also present at the meeting: Recreation Director/Committee Administrator Johnny Crossley, Washington County Forester Robert Nelson (remote), Millstone Trails President Kevin Spaulding, and UVM Committee Intern Aidan Rowley (remote).*

1. **Call to Order:** Chair Larry Rogacki called the meeting to order at 6:18pm. There were technical difficulties securing remote Committee members connections to the meeting.
2. **Consider Approving Agenda:** Patty Meriam made a motion to approve the agenda as presented. Jim West seconded the motion. Committee approved 6-0.
3. **Consider Approving March 13<sup>th</sup> Meeting Minutes:** Jim West made a motion to approve the March 13<sup>th</sup> Meeting Minutes as presented. Dean Preston seconded the motion. Committee approved 6-0.
4. **Receive Public Input (for non-agenda items):** No input at this time.
5. **Updates from Recreation Director:** Johnny Crossley reached out to Town Attorney Michael Monte to discuss the \$2 million vs. \$1 million Certificate of Insurance discrepancy discussed at the March 13<sup>th</sup> CFMP meeting, in addition to the Corridor Management Agreement listed in Appendix G. Michael Monte indicated that he was unaware of an amount listed in the sample Corridor Management Agreement (Appendix G). After checking the draft revisions he determined that it was added at the Selectboard meeting on February 12, 2013. The Committee asked for Michael Monte to come before the Committee to discuss both topics. UVM Intern Aidan Rowley informed the Committee that he would work to make revisions and updates to relevant maps in the CFMP using ARC GIS Software. This will be done in coordination with Robert Nelson, who had received approval from the Selectboard to commission updates to some maps contained within the CFMP. At the end of the update, Chair Larry Rogacki brought up items from previous meetings that had not been settled. A few items were added to the Committee's ongoing whiteboard list of issues to address.
6. **Final Review of Public Survey:** The Committee was able to finish reviewing the Public survey. Aidan Rowley will make the necessary adjustments and present the final edit to the Committee to be approved at next Monday's meeting. The Committee ran short on time and decided to wait until the next meeting to discuss distribution of the Public Survey.
7. **Continue Review of Community Forest Management Plan:** The Committee did not review the CFMP.

8. **Tentative Agenda for March 20<sup>th</sup>** : Meeting: Chair Larry Rogacki set the stage for the Committee to give the Public Survey its final blessing at the next meeting and discuss distribution of the survey. In addition, Johnny Crossley would reach out to Michael Monte and Carl Rogers to present before the Committee. The Committee seeks clarification from Michael Monte on the Certificate of Insurance and Sample Corridor Management Agreement (Appendix G). The Committee seeks Carl Rogers input on necessary revisions and changes he sees fit to the Community Forest Management Plan.
9. **'Round the Table:** The Committee agreed to ~~set~~ meet three times in April on the 10<sup>th</sup>, 17<sup>th</sup>, and 24<sup>th</sup>.
10. **Adjourn:** On a motion by Jim West, seconded by Patty Meriam, the Committee voted in favor of adjournment at 8:11pm 6-0.

*L. Rogacki*

*Jim West*

*Dean Panton*