Randolph Forest Commission Draft Minutes

Date: November 3, 2021 **Location:** Randolph Town Hall

Members Present: John Scarinza, Chairman, Laura Brocket, Walter Graf, Mark

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Guests Present: David Willcox, Alternate RFC member, David DeGruttola,

LandVest, Michelle Cormier, Drew Taylor, Dave Fuller

The Chairman called the meeting to order at 7:05 PM

I. The Chairman appointed David Willcox, Alternate, to sit in for Jeff Parker.

II. Minutes of the October 2021 meeting were read, and approved.

III. Expenses:

- a. A.R. Couture Construction \$1,590.00 work on Farar Farm to remove a small building.
- b. Town of Randolph in the amount of \$234.60, to reimburse for tipping fees to Androscoggin Valley Refuse Disposal District for debris from Farar Farm. This was approved the previous month for a higher, incorrect amount.
- c. Town of Randolph in the amount of \$1,137.42 for legal work associated with the Potter Land
- d. Chuck Jellison \$2,240.00 for mowing on Community Forest wildlife openings and road sides
- e. Brian Lamarre \$240.00 for mowing services in the parking lot at the end of Randolph Hill Road
- IV. Blue Source and Finite Carbon are companies that have approached the Randolph Community Forest regarding a contractor for Carbon Credits. David DeGruttola, from LandVest, was asked to develop some background information on the Carbon Credit Market for the members of the Randolph Forest Commission. LandVest has experience with carbon credits for other properties they manage, and David shared some of that experience with the group. The next step is to have Blue Source or Finite Carbon to take information we have available, and analyze it, to confirm the viability of such a project, and produce a general price of credits on the Randolph Community Forest.
- V. Fuller Sugar House Dave Fuller, and the protective buyer of the business, Drew Taylor, were present to discuss the contract to tap trees on the Randolph Community Forest. The current lease is a 15 year lease, and are currently in the fifth year. There needs to be a new bond of \$1.50 per tap, with a minimum of 25,000 taps, in the event that there is a default on the lease. Mr. Taylor is in the process of choosing a company to issue the bond. A motion was made, and received a second, to approve the change of ownership, and transfer of the lease to Drew Taylor, contingent upon the final purchase of the Fuller business. It's also

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- noted that the Commission approved John Scarinza to sign the lease change. The motion passed.
- VI. Parking at the end of Randolph Hill Road is an issue during the winter months, when the Town plows this area. An agreement that signs should be placed, which specifically limits on parking from November 1 to May 1 each year.

With no further business to discuss, the meeting was adjourned at 9:14 PM. The next gathering will be held Wednesday December 1, 2021, at 7:00 PM in the Randolph Town Hall.