Town Forest Committee Meeting Minutes

August 27, 2018

6:30-8:00 PM Thayer Memorial Library – Trustees Room

In Attendance: Tim Castner and Jason Allison

New Business:

Draft Map for Old Growth Reserves in the town forest. There was a discussion of an idea to establish some possible "Old Growth Reserves" in the town forest. It was recommended to have further conversations with the forester Kevin Scherer.

Possible new Trail Connections with rail trail etc.: A grant may be sought by a group out of Leominster to develop a new Rail Trail through Sterling and Leominster. The grant may include connections to Lancaster through the town forests.

Dog Training in the Town Forest there was a request for mark 9 Dog training in the forest for Sunday October 14 and December 16th. Preliminary approval was granted.

Old Business:

Approve Minutes from April and June – Approved Unanimously

Phase II Harvest – Next Steps – continue discussion – Vote requested – No action taken

Public comment - None

Other Business – Reserved for topics that the chair did not reasonably anticipate would come up. - None