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1. Making sure Michelle is covered by the Town's insurance, and

2. Using our remaining funds from 2021 to hire Michelle to do some deferred maintenance work in November and December on Beaver Deceivers as a one-time offer.

White Oak: Nancy has taken pictures. Gravel has been put in place to prevent erosion, road has been compacted, dirt road on other side of sand pile put in. Has sand been dumped? Follow up at the next meeting with the Select Board.

ASLPT Update (Jesse): CC reps talked about different issues.

Wilmot (Liz Harper chair of CC) is trying to put together a warrant article to protect wetlands. Trying to designate prime wetlands as well. Trying to figure out what ordinance will work. Perhaps we can work together on developing warrant articles and getting them passed.

Several towns talked about conflicts involving town lands.

Shawn is working with DES on removal of Valley Road Beaver Deceiver.

Post the Signs at White Oak: Do we wait until Heaton's work is done? Should have someone from reorganized Highway Department management joining us so it is a cooperative project.

Michelle Lambert's assessment (Nancy): Michelle has submitted the number of hours to do deferred maintenance and to do regular maintenance. The Town does not have any funds in the budget for this year. We have requested Beaver Deceiver maintenance funds in the past, and they have not been included.

Thanks to Sooze for the article about Wolf Trees.

New Hampshire Conservation Commission (Nancy): Merrimack River Council has culvert inventory. There have been culverts that have had streams developing under them and eventually the culverts are removed and a "natural" flat-bedded stream is put in place. Might this work for Valley Road?

Conservation Commission

December 8, 2021

Condensed from approved minutes

Present: Shawn Upton, Tina Cotton, Jesse Schust, Lee Wells, Nancy Robart, Jerry Hersey, Sooze Hodgson

Email from Marj

Intent to cut forms are not permission forms, they are tax forms. Intent to cut forms are available digitally. We can look them up on the DES site. We can check regularly. There are also wetlands permits on their site.

Insurance is available for volunteers. Contractors need to maintain insurance. For Beaver Deceiver maintenance, need to wear a life jacket and have another person observing. Michelle Lambert should check with Marj.

Going forward, we need to consider DES concerns in regards to maintenance of Beaver Deceivers.

Heaton job is done. Road is suitable for a fire truck to get through.

Town will post on the website that we can have reps on the Lakes Region Planning Commission.

ACC Membership: Alan stepping off ACC. Might be willing to be an alternate in the summer, he will consider it. We should let the Select Board know that we need another full time member.

We will need to have the website and Google account managed. Jesse feels he can do some of the website management; he will discuss what he and Jenny might be able to do. Alan will continue to manage the website until January.

Select Board Meeting: Jesse submitted concerns in writing. Shawn will attend the next meeting. We need to let them know of the vacancy. We should come up with recommendations. Email suggestions to the group.

Budget Committee Meeting: Nancy went. Our budget is easy. We added \$2,500 for Beaver Deceiver maintenance. It will be in our budget. Suggestion made that we try it for one year and see how it goes.

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Beaver deceivers on Elbow Pond Road, expertly maintained by neighbor Michelle Lambert, do their job and keep the water flowing.
Caption and photo: Janet Moore

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