## Groton Conservation Committee Meeting Minutes

## July 8, 2021 @ 7 pm

Members Present: Stephen "Slim" Spafford, Cindy Carpenter, Gina Rescigno, Forrest Blake, Virginia Parker

Non-Members Present: Justin Weekley

Meeting called to order at 7:07 pm

Reading of the minutes from our meeting on April 8, 2021. Minutes accepted as is.

Review of open lots owned by the town that were tabled for sale in article 15 at the town meeting this year. Lots 2-26 and 10-22. The Holden lot has no clear title which has kept the property in limbo for some years. Tax maps reviewed and the committee discussed the potential of this land as town forest to be managed by the committee. To further evaluate, everyone agreed it was worth having a field trip out to the properties in question.

Gina made a motion to assess lots 2-26 and 10-22 in person for potential value as a conservation property for the town of Groton. Cindy seconded it.

Walk up scheduled for July 18<sup>th</sup> at 9 am. Everyone to meet at the Museum.

Jon Martin from Forestry Consulting LLC was expected to attend and shed some light on the Halls Brook wetlands permit recently requested. Slim will follow up with him to reschedule.

Fishing Derby Report: complete success. 200 trout were stocked, plenty of catches but the tagged one remained elusive. Approximately 30 kids attended and enjoyed a beautiful day. The 2021 buttons were missing, Gina will contact the town admin to make sure we weren't billed for them.

Having no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 8:24 pm.

Respectfully submitted by Virginia Parker