



46 \$1,000 worth of seed to put down also. Hardy said they have finished up the Edna  
47 McKenna building at the Merrimack County Corrections and there has been talk to have  
48 a program where the 'residents' of the correction facility help clean up the Forest. It could  
49 be a valuable resource. Russ Cunningham is the contact person there. He can arrange a  
50 meeting. Niebling said there is a lot work to be done in the Forest. A lot of stumps were  
51 cut high that need to be taken down to the ground. Gilmore said they need to consider  
52 another cut this year as they are short on funds. They spent \$23,000 on repairing the road.  
53 Once the Town budget is approved, Hardy said they will have a \$2,000 operating budget.  
54 Niebling asked if they had talked to John Fife to see what the increase of mowing cost  
55 would be. Abbe said he would contact John soon. Gilmore said he thought it should be  
56 at least double or triple. Gilmore said it needs to be mow able condition. A **motion** to  
57 allow Gilmore to sign the contract was made by Abbe, seconded by LaPierre and passed  
58 by a unanimous vote. Niebling will scan it and send Hardy a copy for the files and make  
59 sure HFLC gets a copy of it as well.

- 60 • Mr. St. Onge's recommendation is to put a separate trail up the ridge line of old Weir  
61 Road. Niebling said he walked up there in the fresh snow and it was nice. Abbe said it  
62 would tie into the Hardy bypass also. Gilmore said they would wait until the Spring to  
63 take action on the Pump House. Mr. St. Onge noted that with Abbe's permission, he cut  
64 a lot of the vines and thinks it looks fantastic, especially the top of the foundations. The  
65 barn foundation is one of the highest. He was wondering if they could take down the top  
66 rocks to alleviate anyone getting hurt. Gilmore thought the Commission could wait until  
67 Spring to make those kinds of decisions.
- 68 • Tom Gilmore said he talked with a Boscawen property owner about the conservation  
69 easement process. He would like to consider putting in a conservation easement. That  
70 may cost a considerable amount of money. He thinks it's about  $\frac{3}{4}$  of a mile of road  
71 frontage there. Niebling felt it would be an attractive LCHIP project. Abbe asked how  
72 motivated they were.
- 73 • Gilmore also noted that he received a phone call from a lady in Salisbury who wants to  
74 put up a training session on Water Wells and getting them tested. She would like the  
75 Commission's cooperation. She will have a meeting in May and he will get the dates.  
76 Hardy asked who she works for. Gilmore said she was on the Conservation Commission  
77 in Salisbury. Gilmore will share her email with Hardy.
- 78 • Walker Pond: Hardy was at the Water Precinct last night and they asked to have the  
79 proposal in writing. Gilmore said their offer was \$20,000. LaPierre asked how many  
80 acres. Hardy said that the town will be responsible for drafting up the documents.  
81 LaPierre asked if there was a horse power limit on the pond. Abbe said there is a sign  
82 that says 6 horse power only allowed on that pond. The sign is visible at the ramp.  
83 Gilmore asked if the town owned the pond or Webster. Hardy said Boscawen has 2 shores  
84 and Webster has the 3<sup>rd</sup> shore. The bulk of the homes are on the Webster side. Much  
85 discussion regarding the pond, the frontage, parking area, etc.
- 86 • Fish and Game grant: Niebling and Abbe will work together on the grant paperwork.  
87 Discussion regarding grants, federal funding, LCHIP grants, etc.

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89 More funds will be coming in from the sales of the Knowlton Road subdivision. Hardy estimated  
90 approximately \$20,000.

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92 A **motion** to adjourn the meeting was made by LaPierre, seconded by Abbe and passed by a  
93 unanimous vote.

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95 **Next Meeting:** March 20, 2018 at 7pm.

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97 *Respectfully Submitted*

98 *Rose Fife, Recording Secretary*

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