TOWN OF HARVARD
DEER MANAGEMENT SUBCOMMITTEE
Meeting Minutes
ZOOM MEETING 645-8pm
Thursday AUG 13, 2020 - Revised

Please Note: A recording of this meeting may be found at Harvard TV.

Attending: Ben Urquart, Tom Cotton, Bob Douglas, Jason Cole (Joined after start)

DMS meeting

Deer Hunter Density approved for 30 Hunters by ConCom.

The Quals have begun!

Next two Qualifying rounds will be held at the Harvard Sportsman's club. This Sunday (Bob) and next Sunday (Tom). There is a small private range that can be used for small groups or individuals on Stow Road as well. Ben asked if any hunters were not making the set. (Three of five) Bob confirmed that there was an injured archer that did not qualify. Each hunter will receive a hunter number.

Bob has been in contact with Weston Deer Hunt Manager Michelle Grzenda. She has been using a log for the Weston hunt for years. Ben will work on adopting Michelle's log to our use. ConCom is interested in the journal. This Weston model may be used by other towns in the SVT based coalition, and it will allow us down the road to compare hunts across the region. Bob will send template to Ben. Ben will do Google docs. Rules: electronic log: put in expected location when you leave, update when you return from hunt.

Daniel Tracey asked about log, Jason said we will involve Eve Wittenburg in log.

Parking for hunt: Marc S put together a map of parking locations. Bob displayed draft.

Captain Amati EPD: offered to put together briefing with hunters – Group agreed

Bob stressed need to divide group tasks.

Next meeting: Next Thur 8/20 6:30

Daniel: assign hunters to specific properties?

Bob & Jason – current thinking no, based on Stainbrook, other program advice. Hunters cannot be shuffled around, as they need to do substantial prep work. Hunters are self-limiting and socially distance. Programs that do assigned site are not as successful as ones that allow the hunters to locate hunting spots.

Bob dropped out

Ben asked for a vote to adjourn meeting. Motion made by Tom, seconded by Jason. Meeting adjourned.

The listing of matters are those reasonably anticipated by the chair which may be discussed at the meeting. Not all items listed may in fact be discussed and other items not listed may also be brought up for discussion to the extent permitted by law.