

**TOWN OF HARVARD  
DEER MANAGEMENT SUBCOMMITTEE MINUTES  
ZOOM MEETING 6:15 – 7:00 pm  
Tuesday July 6, 2021**

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**Members present:**

Robert Douglas (chair), Tom Cotton, Ben Urquhart

**Public Present:**

Eve Wittenberg, Daniel Tracey

**Called to Order 6:18 PM by Douglas.**

**Discussion of additional parcels to include in 2021 program:**

After a short discussion on the level of scouting done on the 13 parcels, Douglas made a motion to submit to the Conservation Commission the following 10 parcels for addition to the program for 2021: Blomfelt, Dunlap, Great Elms, Hermann Orchard, Maxant, Prospect Hill, Shaker Spring House, Sprague, Vesenska and Williams. Seconded by Urquhart. Unanimous vote to forward to the Conservation Commission.

Cotton took the action item to prepare a memo to the Conservation Commission for their July 15, 2021 meeting reflecting this request.

**Hunter distribution for 2021**

Tabled as information is still being gathered from other programs.

**Q&A**

Douglas asked the attendees if they had any questions. Wittenberg said no. Tracey asked about the “10 Tallest Method” for evaluating deer browse.

**Deer browse survey**

Douglas then provided a high-level overview of the method in which the Douglas will try to coordinate a presentation by Tom Rawinski on implementing this method. This method follows the growth, browse damage and reproductive condition of plant populations that serve as indicators of changing levels of deer browse impact.

**Approval of Minutes:**

None available to review at this meeting.

Douglas and Urquhart each volunteered to work on delinquent minutes.

**Meeting adjourned at 6:38 PM.**

Motion to adjourn by Urquhart, seconded by Cotton. Unanimous vote to adjourn.