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MINUTES
August 7, 2025

MEMBER ROLL CALL:

Ralph Lutjen, Chairman – Present	Ted Slader (Alternate) – Present
Mike Brooks, Vice Chair –Excused	Marcia McKenna - Excused
Mike Mosher – Present	Josh Shackford - Present
Rick Judkins - Selectmen’s Rep. - Excused	Liza Rogerson (Alternate) – Present
Marc Ohlson –Present	

OTHERS PRESENT: Kasia Scontsas - Madison TV, Katharine Young, Land Use Boards Administrator, Tim Nolin, Forest Land Improvement

MEETING POSTED: The meeting was posted in the Madison Town Hall Upper & Lower levels, Madison & Silver Lake Post Offices on July 31, 2025.

CALL TO ORDER: Chairman Lutjen called the meeting to order at 4:25 pm.

ELEVATION OF ALTERNATES: Chairman Lutjen stated there was no need for elevation of alternates as four were present and a quorum was present.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Chairman Lutjen asked for any comments or issues with the minutes from the July 10, 2025 meeting and since there were none, he asked for a motion.

Motion by Shackford, seconded by Mosher to approve the July 10, 2025 minutes as written. The motion was voted on and passed **unanimously**.

PUBLIC COMMENT: Chairman Lutjen closed the public comment since there were no public present.

OLD BUSINESS:

Tim Nolin – Forest Land Improvement: Nolin explained he will be doing a timber harvest starting in about three weeks at the Goodwin-Burke Town Forest. He further explained that he is researching the market for the best possible price for the wood. He also stated that he will call Dig Safe. He explained

they will be logging at the site for about a month and confirmed that the road will not be shut down. He also stated he will post the necessary signage.

Nolin also stated he has heard a rumor that oak is picking up in price and at this point, he is waiting on contracts. He further stated that he will be attending the Selectboard meeting on August 19, 2025 to present the documentation to them for the appropriate signatures and he asked Young to make sure he was added to the Selectboard's Agenda. Nolin confirmed with Shackford that the DPW would remove the stumps from the tree cutting. Shackford agreed.

Nolin explained that the mowing trail work for Old Home week had been done and the only thing left is the easement monitoring and an easement boundary, through the last harvesting for the Krellner property on Lead Mine Road.

Slader stated that the Lead Mine Kiosk was not visible and he would like to see it cleaned out. Nolin stated he would take care of this.

Ohlson explained that he received a call from Jeff Lougee at The Nature Conservancy and that Nancy Goodwin is interested in getting rid of 14 +/- acres that she owns. Ohlson further explained that The Nature Conservancy does not want this property. Ohlson stated he will be having a Zoom meeting on August 14, 2025 with Sue Goodwin, her attorney and The Nature Conservancy. He further explained that there is a contaminant issue.

Shackford asked if there had been any cutting on the McNair property, the Stacy Mountain piece? Nolin responded that he had no idea and has not talked with the family since last fall.

Chain of Ponds Update: Chairman Lutjen reported that the Conservation Commission is making progress and the attorneys have been negotiating the Conservation Easement.

Conservation Easement Deed Revisions: No further discussion was recorded for this agenda item.

Property Review Commitments: Chairman Lutjen stated they will talk with Nolin in September.

New Business: Chairman Lutjen stated there was no new business.

Selectman's Report: Judkins, the Selectman's Representative, was not present at the meeting. No report was given.

Planning Board Report: Chairman Ohlson explained that he did the Old Home Week hike at the Chain of Ponds off for Forest Pines Road and Linda Comeau from Upper Saco Land Trust was in attendance and gave a nice presentation.

Ohlson also stated that the Planning Board received a preliminary survey from Ron Briggs at Briggs Land Surveying for a subdivision on Maple Grove Road and it was noted on the plan there was a 50' easement across the top of the lots to access Ami Kennett Road and this subdivision will be on a Class VI Road. He further explained that the Planning Board requested that be removed and Briggs agreed to remove it.

Ohlson also stated that the Master Plan Steering Committee is making progress.

Administrative Correspondence: Young had nothing to report.

Chairman Lutjen went over the account balances as noted below:

Account Balances as of June 30, 2025

Conservation Land Use Change Tax: $\$225,787.07 + \$5.38 \text{ Interest} = \underline{\$225,792.39}$

Forest Maintenance Account: $\$61,937.58 + \$1.48 \text{ Interest} = \underline{\$61,939.06}$

Conservation Gift Account: $\$261.77 + \$0.01 \text{ cents Interest} = \underline{\$261.78}$

Capital Reserve Account: **Balance as of July 1, 2025 was $\underline{\$67,838.87}$**

Ohlson explained that we need a Selectman present at a meeting and the one has not been present in quite some time.

Ohlson made the following motion:

Motion by Ohlson, seconded by Lutjen to invite the Selectboard to the conservation meeting.

Discussion: Shackford explained he does not agree with this and he would vote against this, as being a former Selectman, they are already required to attend multiple meetings within a month.

Ohlson withdrew the above-noted motion.

Motion by Lutjen, seconded by Shackford to adjourn the meeting. The motion was voted on and passed **unanimously** and the meeting adjourned at 4:46 pm.

Submitted by,

Katharine Young
Land Use Boards Administrator