Research on Sunapee Archers / Barrett lot by B. Chalmers – June 7, 2022

Aug Agreement between Sunapee Region Archers Inc to Town for \$2,000 465-496 for town to buy about 50-ac, to be conveyed within 90 days of 1969 annual town meeting, \$1,000 paid today and \$1,000 to be paid by date deed is registered.

1969 Mar Warrant Articles:

Art 22 Selectmen to appoint a committee of 3 to look into ways and means of setting up and financing a new sewage system and authorized \$500 for same.

Art 25 to raise \$1,000 to pay balance owned to Sunapee Region archers Inc for land purchased from them for the treatment site for new proposed sewage plant

Art 26 to authorize Selectmen apply for HUD planning money for sewage treatment facility. And raise \$95,00 to defray cost of final plan prepared for Birch Point extension sewage facility for town.

- 1969 Town Report, Schedule of Town Property: Archery Course: \$2,000 (site of future sewer plant)
- 1969 May Sunapee Region Archers Inc to Town 493-57 (deed registered after payment of final \$1,000 portion of sales price) about 50-ac bound N and E by former Amas Edes land, S by road to Newport, W by former Nathaniel Batchelder and John Trask land. 493-57 excepting riparian rights of flowage and utility easements (see deed).

Same land conveyed by State of NH Public Works & Highways by vote of Gov. & Council on April 15, 1959 to Sunapee Archers of Newport for \$310 401-597 and reserving utility RoW.

Same parcel State bought from Wm and Adel Rollins on July 28, 1956 376-178 with right to construct slopes and embankments beyond limits of land to hold slopes.

Same as Charles Wright and Wm Rollins bought from Sidney Paul, George Paul, and Paul Trask in 1943 285-239 reserving rights of flowage and utility right of way for NET&T. Their title came from 1874 purchase 100-427

(Sunapee Archers were in existence since 1949, and perhaps earlier.)

1970 Mar Warrant Articles:

Art 23 to adopt provision of Chapter 252 of Revised Statutes Annotated and establish a Board of Sewer Commissioners and raise \$500 for same.

(Chapter 252 19; 20; 22 was updated to be RSA 149-1:19 Sewer commissions can be independent public entity ad political subdivision of NH, separate and distinct from town, analogous to free-standing village district authorized pursuant to RSA Chap 52.)

Art 24: To elect 3 commissions at staggers terms of 3yr, 2yrs, 1yr.

- Jul: Raymond & Elizabeth Barrett of Newport to Town 493-59 triangular 0.4 ac parcel between the old Newport Rd and Rte 11 in vicinity of the treatment plant access road.
 (I had found \$200 was raised by town to buy this land, but can't find the source of that now.)
- Town Report, Schedule of Town Property: Archery Course: \$2,200 (reflects \$2,000 to Archers and \$200 to Barrett.)
 - Re early 1970s agreement for land use between town of Sunapee and W&S Commission:
 I find nothing in the files.
 - Files are very limited re W&S minutes, only 2004, 5 and 2006.
 - Town Forest files include no information regarding selection of land to be included or mention of sewer plant on lot to be included.

- W&S minutes indicate commission invited to Energy Committee meeting Apr 2021 where there was discussion of solar panels on town owned land. May 2021 Energy com attended W&S meeting discussing operational energy savings measures and planned to have Revision Energy visit sewer plant side May 28. March 31 minutes of W&S meeting included mention of selectmen's meeting Apr 4 re town forest, treatment plant and solar panels. Noted a discussion about how land came to be designated town forest and why this would preclude install of solar panels. April 28 meeting notes indicate request by member to add Town Forest to agenda of W & W May 26 meeting.
- W&S Minutes for May 26 2022 have not yet been posted on website, so don't know how this discussion went yet.
- I don't see any W&S formal acceptance of Energy Com solar array proposal.
- Energy Committee minutes of Jan 26 note site walk on Jan 14 and held discussion re why they can't have a 2022 warrant article for the array.
- Energy Committee keeps detailed minutes and I have read them. No formal votes regarding panels on sewer plant site that I can find.

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Recommended by the Board of Selectmen, Budget Advisory Committee, and the Conservation Commission.

Article 20: Are you in favor of:

- Establishing as Town Forests, as authorized by RSA 31:110, the following parcels of land currently owned by the Town of Sunapee: (Any future Town Meeting may vote to remove any parcel from the Town Forest.)
 - 1) Ledge Pond Lot, Map 10, Lot 15 (±104 Acres)
 - 2) Dewey Woods Lots, total acreage ± 101 Acres Map 6, Lot 6 (±6 Acres) Map 6, Lot 7 (±10 Acres) Map 6, Lot 9 (±76 Acres) Map 23, Lot 21 (±8.3 Acres) Map 23, Lot 7 (±0.76 Acres)
 - 3) Tilton-Morse Lots (old Town ski hill) total acreage ± 20.52 Acres Map 6, Lot 1 (± 10.52 Acres) Map 4, Lot 21E (± 10 Acres)
 - 4) Tyler-Bartlett Lots (Garnet Hill), Map 6, lot 47 (±50 Acres)
 - 5) Flint-Webb Lot, Map 8, Lot 6 (±40 Acres)
 - 6) Barrett Lot, Map 5, Lot 22 (±41 Acres);
- B) Authorizing the Conservation Commission to manage the Town Forests under the provisions of RSA 31:112 II; and
- Authorizing any proceeds which may accrue from said forest C) management, and which are not otherwise restricted, be deposited into a separate Town Forest Maintenance Fund, which shall be allowed to accumulate from year to year, as authorized by RSA 31:113. (Any expenditure from said fund shall require Town Meeting approval.)-

Recommended by the Board of Selectmen, Budget Advisory Committee, and the Conservation Commission.

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Selectmen, Budget Advisory Committee, and

Aı sing and appropriating the sum of \$2,000 for ovements at the Town's Ledge Pond property, including layout and construction of a gate and parking area, and other low

impact amenities, to provide improved recreational access to the property, said \$2,000 to come from the Town Forest Fund, if established and funded by Articles 20 and 21 above, or from the unreserved fund balance if articles 20 and/or 21 are not approved?

TOWN OF SUNAPEE NH FINAL ENERGY COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES

6-8-2022

Location - Town Hall Meeting Room

Attendance – Keith Chrisman, Bette Nowack, Doug Hanson, and Jim Williams & Doug Gamsby of W&S Commission

Meeting time – 5:11 pm to 6:55 pm

- 1. 5:11 Meeting commenced.
- A discussion was held regarding the W&S Commissions position regarding removing the WWTP lot (lot # 86) from the Town Forest.
- The W&S Commission would like the entire lot taken out of the Town Forest, with a compromise of partitioning off the 22-acre wetland portion and only taking the upland portion of the lot out of the Town Forest.
- 4. The reasons for this position are as follows:
 - a. Undeveloped property is needed now for the addition of possiblè future treatment processes and plant expansion. It is the understanding of the commissioners that the 43-acre lot on which the WWTP is located was purchased in the 1970's with the intent that it be used for construction of a WWTP, not for managing as a Town Forest. It appears to have been an error for it to be included in the Town Forest after the WWTP was constructed, since the Town Attorney has indicated that a WWTP is not an allowed use in a Town Forest.
 - b. The most immediate need at this time is for the installation of a sludge drying facility. Currently, Sunapee wet WWTP sludge is trucked to Merrimack for dewatering and disposal. Prior to this, it used to be trucked to Claremont for mixing with fly ash for disposal; however, Claremont no longer accepts it due to regulatory changes in the wood burning power plant industry. There is a concern that at any time, due to changes in regulations (perhaps related to PFOS contaminants), Merrimack could also decline to accept Sunapee's sludge. In addition, an on-site sludge drying process could decrease sludge transportation and disposal costs by more than 75%.
 - c. Changes in wastewater effluent quality or EPA/NHDES discharge requirements could result in a non-compliance situation, creating the need to immediately install other processes to meet discharge limits. (This is the type of event that occurred with the water treatment facility resulting in the need to install a new UV disinfection system.)
 - d. The W&S Commission keeps an eye out for any new development in Sunapee and New London that will place additional burdens on the WWTP. A new senior development facility is planned behind the New London Hospital that will add wastewater discharges from 146 living units. There has also been a noticeable increase in building in both Sunapee and New London lately. The W&S Commission must plan for future growth.
 - e. The WWTP is said to be, on average, at 50% of capacity. This is misleading. This should not be interpreted as the plant being able to accept double the flow. In order to remove sludge, the wastewater flow must be intermittently switched from one oxidation ditch to the other while sludge is being removed and excess capacity is needed for this process. Also, Sunapee has peak flows that are much greater than average, due to the nature of the part-time residents in town and other events stressing the system (e.g., influx of residents during COVID).
 - f. For planning purposes, the W&S Commission needs to know with certainty that land is would be available for the addition of future plant improvements (sludge drying, process upgrades) to identify a proposed location before hiring an engineer to perform the design work.
 - g. The uncertainty of having a facility continue to accept the wet sludge is a big concern as well as being very costly to transport the heavy wet sludge.
 - h. The critical path for the most immediate need for a sludge drying facility is as follows:
 - Remove the WWTP property (lot # 86) from the Town Forest via a warrant article voted by residents in March 2023.

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- ii. Assuming the Town votes to approve removal of the property needed for a sludge drying facility from the Town Forest in 2023, propose a warrant article to allocate funds for the sludge drying facility in March 2024.
- iii. The federal infrastructure bill may allocate funds to be used for WWTP upgrades. If this occurs, Sunapee should be positioned to apply for the funds as soon as possible, otherwise, funds may no longer be available at a later date.
- i. The area and optimum location needed for the proposed sludge drying facility (or any other potential process improvements that may be required in the future) is not known at this time. Parts of the property are steeply sloped and have shallow ledge and an Eversource easement crosses the site. It would be difficult to narrow down optimum areas for construction without further evaluation.
- j. The W&S Commission needs to have certainty that they will be able to respond to technical, financial, and regulatory requirements as they occur and not have to wait for up to a year to have a warrant article voted on to incrementally expand the WWTP property, with uncertain outcomes.
- k. The annual W&S budget for electricity this year is \$64K. The W&S Commission would like to reduce these power costs through the installation of a solar array.
- 1. The W&S Commission respectfully requests that the Select Board support a warrant article in March 2023 to remove at least the upland (i.e., land not within designated wetland) portions of the WWTP lot (approximately 20 acres) from Town Forest designation. This will provide the flexibility needed for construction of a sludge processing facility, as well as any future, and as yet unknown, changes or improvements in the operation of the WWTP.
- 5. The W&S Commission recommends that future expansion/improvements at the WWTP be addressed as part of the ongoing Master Planning process.
 - a. The W&S Commission has not been asked by the Planning Board to contribute to the writing of the Master Plan, but they would be interested in participating.
- 6. BN sent an email to the Town Manager on June 2, 2022 containing questions regarding how the financial benefits of a solar array installed on Lot #86 could be apportioned.
- DH contacted Eversource and found out that they do not perform any installations of EV charging stations.
- 8. KC will forward his contact at Revision Energy to DH to follow up with them regarding installation of EV charging stations.
- 9. No further progress has been made on writing the Energy Section of the Master Plan.
- 10. Meeting adjourned at 6:55 pm.

ARTICLE 14. To see if the Town will vot to raise and appropriate the following sums of money; for the Recreation Committee \$5000.00, and \$1200.00 for the operation of the Sunapee Community Center and pass any vote relating thereto.

ARTICLE 15. To see if the Town will vote to raise and approprite the sum of \$14,000.00 for the Repairs and Maintenance of the Water Department and pass any vote relating there-

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ARTICLE 16. To see if the Town will vote to raise \$4000.00 to replace the present 4" water line with 6" on the Interstate Route 89 access road and pass any vote relating thereto.

ARTICLE 17. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$1000.00 to acquire the necessary land for the new pipe line and road to the reservoir site, and pass any vote relating thereto.

ARTICLE 18. To see if the Town will vote to raise the sum of \$2000.00 for the Care of

the Cemeteries, and pass any vote relating thereto.

ARTICLE 19. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$200.00

for Civil Defense, and pass any vote relating thereto.

ARTICLE 20. To see if the Town will vote to raise the sum of \$3000.00 for a New Truck Note, \$2000.00 for Bulldozer Note, \$2500.00 for Town Garage Note, and \$2000.00 for Fire Department Note and pass any vote relating thereto.

ARTICLE 21. To see if the Town will vote to raise the sum of \$2200.00 for interest on Temporary Loans, and \$2000.00 for interest on Long Term Notes and Bonds and pass any

vote relating thereto.

ARTICLE 22. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to appoint a committee of three (3) members to study ways and means of setting up and financing the new proposed sewerage system for the Town of Sunapee and appropriate the sum of \$500.00 to cover expenses in making this survey and pass any vote relating thereto.

ARTICLE 23. To see if the Town will vote to require a building permit to cover remodeling and/or additions and any construction for a fee of \$1.00 and pass any vote relating thereto.

ARTICLE 24. To see if the Town will vote to assume the maintenance, repairs, and up-keep of the small branch road off the Fernwood Point Road and measures approximately 200 yards in length, beginning at the fork opposite the property of Harold McEnnis and ending at the property of Mrs. Ralph Schumaker, and pass any vote relating thereto.

ARTICLE 25. To see if the Town will vote to raise the sum of \$1000.00 to pay the balance owed to the Sunapee Region Archers, Inc., for land purchased from them for the treatment site for the new proposed sewerage plant, and pass any vote relating thereto.

ARTICLE 26. Part A — To see if the Town will authorize the Selectmen to apply to the Department of Housing and Urban Development for an increase of \$9500.00 on Project No. P-NH-3149 Sewerage and Sewerage Treatment Facilities in the interest free planning advance provided for at the 1968 Town Meeting and which has been approved by the Department of Housing and Urban Development on December 10, 1968 and pass any vote relating thereto.

Part B — To see if the Town of Sunapee will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$9500.00 for the purpose of defraying the cost of final plan preparation for the Birch Point Extension sewerage facilities for the Town of Sunapee, such sum to be raised by the issuance of not exceeding \$9500.00 in Serial Bonds or Notes under and in compliance with the provisions of the Municipal Finance Act, (Chapter 33 of the New Hampshire Statutes Annotated 1955 and any amendments thereto) and to authorize the (Selectmen or Sewer Commission or other legally authorized representatives) to issue and negotiate such bonds or notes and to determine the rate of interest thereon, and to take such other actions as may be necessary to effect the issuance, negotiation, sale and delivery of such bonds or notes as shall be in the best interests of the Town of Sunapee, and pass any vote relating thereto.

ARTICLE 27. To see if the Town will vote to raise \$2000.00 to have the State Tax Commission return to assess any new buildings and those buildings that were not completed in the

1968 program, and pass any vote relating thereto.

- Article 14. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Water Department to spend \$12,000.00 to lay new 8" water mains on Garnet Street and Lake Avenue providing detailed plans are submitted and approved by the Division of Public Health Services, this is to be repaid from the income of the Water Department \$6000.00 in 1968, and \$6000.00 in 1969, and pass any vote relating thereto.
- Article 15. To see if the Town will vote to raise the sum of \$2000.00 for repairs and rebuilding roads on Garnet Street and Lake Avenue in connection with the Water Departments new construction on above mentioned streets and pass any vote relating thereto.
- Article 16. To see if the Town will vote to raise the sum of \$2000.00 for the Care of the Cemeteries, and pass any vote relating thereto.
- Article 17. To see if the Town will vote to raise \$3000.00 for New Trucks Note, \$2000.00 for Bulldozer Note, \$2500.00 for Town Garage Note, \$2000.00 for Fire Department Note, and pass any vote relating thereto.
- Article 18. To see if the Town will vote to raise the sum of \$2200.00 for interest on Temporary Loans, and \$2000.00 for interest on Long-Term Notes and Bonds and pass any vote relating thereto.
- Article 19. To see if the Town will vote to adopt the following policy pertaining to the Town taking over any private roads:
 - 1. At least two rods wide
 - 2. Graveled
 - 3. Culverts where necessary
 - 4. Ditch with proper draining

said above specifications to meet with the approval of Town Road Agents and Selectmen, and pass any vote relating thereto.

- Article 20. To see if the Town will raise the sum of \$8750.00 to pay the second half of Tax Equalization Appraisal Program and pass any vote relating thereto.
- Article 21. To see if the Town will vote to raise the sum of \$4837.20 for final payment on the Bridge on the Springfield-Georges Mills Road, and pass any vote relating thereto.
- Article 22. To see if the Town will vote to raise the sum of \$500.00 for the Planning Board, and pass any vote relating thereto.
- Article 23. To see if the Town will vote to have a three-year term for Tax Collector, as permitted by RSA 41:2A, approved by Legislature on June 26, 1967, and pass any vote relating thereto.
- Article 24. To see if the town of Sunapee will vote to accept as a road, the road now running perpendicular to Trow Hill Road and parallel to North Road, known as Hastings Road, and pass any vote relating thereto.
- Article 25. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to file in behalf of the inhabitants of the Town, an application in form and manner required by the United States Government, and in conformity with P.L. 560, 83rd Congress as amended, and do whatever else may be required to obtain an advance, in the amount of \$78,000.00 to be made by the United States to the Town of Sunapee to aid in defraying the cost of final plans and specifications for the construction of sewage collection and treatment facilities, and, further, to see if the Town will make the necessary arrangements to provide such additional funds as may be required to defray the cost of final plans and specifications.
- Article 26. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to apply, negotiate and do all other things necessary to obtain such Federal, State, or other assistance as may be available for the construction of a sewage collection and treatment system, and pass any vote relating thereto.
- Article 27. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to file in behalf of the inhabitants of the Town, an application in form and manner required by the United States Government, and in conformity with P.L. 560, 83rd Congress as amended, and do whatever else may be required to obtain an advance, in the amount of \$33,000.00, to be made by the

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INVENTORY — 1969		Contingency Fund	2,000.00		
	\$11,303,041.00	Social Security—Retirement—Insurance	8,500.00		
Land	11,617,150.00	Dog Damage	300.00		
Buildings	122,300.00	T.R.A.	959.15		
Factory Buildings	111,760.00	Insurance Fringe Benefits	4,000.00		
Factory Machinery	1,127,188.00	Chassis and Aerial Ladder Truck Note	2,150.00		
Electric Plants	102,410.00	Library (Commercial Flooring)	1,450.00		
House Trailers (31)	259,062.00	Lebanon Regional Airport	200.00		
Stock in Trade of Merchants	46,950.00	Replace 4-inch Main on Route 89	4,000.00		
Stock in Trade of Manufacturers	251,850.00	Land for Reservoir Pipe Line	1,000.00		
Boats and Launches (444)	5,150.00	Civil Defense	200.00		
Cows (30)	2,200.00	New Truck Note	3,000.00		
Other Cattle	10,430.00	Bulldozer Note	2,000.00		
Gasoline Pumps and Tanks	59,500.00	Town Garage	2,500.00		
Road Building Machinery	\$25,018,991.00	Fire Department Note	2,000.00		
Gross Valuation:	1,000.00	Interest on Temporary Loans	2,200.00		
Blind Exemption		Interest on Long Term Notes	2,000.00		
Neat Stock Exemptions Net Valuation:	\$25,015,691.00	Sewerage Study Committee Expenses	500.00		
	1,358.00	Balance on Treatment Site	1,000.00		
Number of Poll Taxes (679)	100.00	Tax Revaluation	2,000.00		
Bank Stock Tax	\$489,857.74	Birch Point Sewerage Project	9,500.00		
Property Tax to Collector	5,452.95	Community Center	1,200.00		
Exemptions on Property Taxes	314.00	Special Survey Lake Sunapee	1,000.00		
Exemptions of Poll Taxes (157)	4,170.00		229,623.15		
Head Taxes (834)	10.00	1011111.			
Exemptions of Head Taxes (2) Rate of Taxation Per Hundred	1.98				
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ASSESSMENTS - 1969		Town Hall, Lands and Buildings Furniture and Equipment	3,000.00		
Town Officers' Salaries	\$, 9,500.00	Libraries, Lands and Buildings	22,000.00		
Town Officers' Expenses	7,000.00	Furniture and Equipment	3,000.00		
Election and Registration	400.00	Fire Department,			
Court	700.00	Lands and Buildings	20,000.00		
Repairs and Expenses Town Property 4,000.00		Equipment	41,000.00		
Vital Statistics	40.00	Highway Department,			
Health Department	500.00	Lands and Buildings	35,000.00		

ASSESSMENTS - 196	9	Furniture and Equipment	3,000.00
Town Officers' Salaries	\$,9,500.00	Libraries, Lands and Buildings	22,000.00
Town Officers' Expenses	7,000.00	Furniture and Equipment	3,000.00
Election and Registration	400.00	Fire Department,	
Court	700.00	Lands and Buildings	20,000.00
Repairs and Expenses Town Property	4,000.00	Equipment	41,000.00
Vital Statistics	40.00	Highway Department,	
Health Department	500.00	Lands and Buildings	35,000.00
Police Department	12,500.00	Equipment	40,000.00
Fire Department	7,000.00	Materials and Supplies	2,000.00
Nurse Association	4,000.00	Parks, Commons and Playgrounds	35,000.00
Highway Department Summer	36,000.00	Water Supply, if owned by Town	85,850.00
Highway Department Winter	21,000.00 16,000.00	Schools, Lands and Buildings	563,500.00
General Expenses and Road Oil	7,000:00	Equipment	80,000.00
Machinery Maintenance	4,000.00	Dewey Beach	20,000.00
Town Dump	6,500.00	Slade and Woodsum	15,000.00
Street Lights	8,144.00		25,000.00
Library Town Poor and Old Age Assistance	3,000.00	Ben Mere Woodsum	10,000.00
Cemetery	2,000.00	Comfort Station	
Water Department	14,000.00	Playground	15,000.00
Dartmouth Lake Sunapee Region	200.00	Hame Shop and Land to 103B	35,000.00
Board of Trade	1,000.00	Ledge Pond Property	10,000.00
Information Booth	1,000.00	Parking Lot River Road	10,000.00
Blister Rust	80.00	Archery Course	2,000.00
Band Concerts	1,300.00	(Fututre site of sewerage treatmer	it plant)
Garbage Collection	2,000.00	Tugie Lot	500.00
Hospitals	1,500.00	11	\$1,097,850.00
Recreation Committee	5,000.00		+=,02.,00

Sunapee ZBA variance. Greg asked for Con Com approval so that the project could go before the ZBA. **Motion:** Tim moved that the application be approved conditional on approval of the permitting agencies and that the ConCom is kept appraised of changes and additional requirements of the permit. Second by Ginny. Vote 4 in favor, 1 against.

6. OLD BUSINESS

Natural Resources Inventory (NRI): Contract and scoping document was reviewed. It was noted that local reproduction, mailing, and other incidental costs are incurred directly by the ConCom. Perhaps Olivia can provide an estimate from past NRIs. Ginny noted distribution would be mainly in electronic version. Ginny asked about a schedule and milestones for the process, Van asked for a schedule for data to be provided by the ConCom. Ginny asked how and when do we can engage the community? Van noted that after data collection it will be forming the conservation action plan that needs public input. Barbara will request that Olivia address these questions at our next meeting. NRI billings will be monthly and need to be timed to our monthly meetings for prompt review. Barbara to invite Olivia to our next meeting, either in person or by Zoom, as she thinks best. Motion by Ginny, 2nd by Tim for Van to sign the contract to spend up to \$13,000 with the Lake Sunapee Upper Valley Planning Council to update the Sunapee NRI.

Barbara will get the signed contract to Olivia. Action by Barbara

<u>Japanese Knotweed Update</u>: Ginny reported on May 9 at 9 AM at Town Hall, Doug Cygan, NH Department of Agriculture Invasive Species Coordinator will meet with interested volunteers regarding a not weed eradication demonstration on a patch at Town Hall. The Harbor Riverway is interested in partnering with the Con Com on another demonstration eradication near the farmers' market site. Getting the word out to the public will be important.

<u>View Easement at 129 Ryder Corner Rd:</u> Tim reported no update. Ausbon Sargent, as conservation easement holder, must be in agreement with any resolution of view easement. Their response is pending.

Town Forest at Sewer Plant site: Van reported no meeting of Con Com, Water / Sewer Dept, and Energy Committee has yet been set up but Town Manager will facilitate the meeting. Some discussion of amount of land to be removed from town forest, only the currently disturbed land in use by the plant or with additional acreage for an array. Designated area will need to be surveyed and pins established. Barbara provided a Google Earth aerial view of the 41-acre site and determined that approximately 22-acres is wetland/river, 12-acres is upland forest, 6-acres is disturbed/sewer plant and 1-acre is utility power line right-of-way. (See attachment.)

Terry needs to issue another invitation to meet. Action by Terry

Peer Review Meetings: Mark reported that April peer review meeting was canceled.

<u>Ledge Pond Trails:</u> Van reported that MeadowsEnd will build the second trail running over higher terrain later in the year. Trail arrows have been installed on the completed trails. Ginny walked the new trail yesterday and noted one wet spot and a section with a steep cross slope that may be subject to erosion, otherwise, very nice.

<u>2022 Town Forest Rec Use Data Collection:</u> No update on QR code sign at trailheads to document trail useage. **Action by Terri**

<u>Rules for Town Forests</u>: Draft was reviewed, Ginny suggested adding requirement of no new structures without approval of Con Com. **Motion** by Mark, 2nd by Tim to approve rules with Ginny's suggestion added. Vote: unanimous. Rules to be posted at trailhead kiosks.

<u>Town Forest Memorials</u>: Tim shared that the SPNHF policy on monuments and memorials is being considered for adoption by Ausbon Sargent.

Pending Old Business:

Map of Municipal Sewer – Barbara

Finalization of Con Com Overview

Removal of canoe chained at Ledge Pond: Still there, Terry will leave a note to it owner.

7. NEW BUSINESS

Ausbon Sargent Roundtable: Cliff attended April meeting, report pending. Action by Cliff

<u>April Planning Board Meeting re Master Plan:</u> Barbara reported community survey has not been sent out yet. Board met with Scott Hazelton re roads and drainage, then with Energy Committee. They planned to meet with Con Com rep at May 12 meeting, but this is not on their agenda. Barbara will contact Michael Marquis regarding this so that information regarding the NRI can be presented. **Action by Barbara**

Meeting adjourned 9:40 PM Next Meeting: June1 at 7 PM. Attachment.

Respectfully submitted, Barbara Chalmers, secretary