Minutes Forest and Parks Commission June 2, 2025 6:00 p.m. at the Chelsea Public Library

Present: Jen Chase, Susan Elder, Kate Willard, John Upham.

- 1. The April 4th meeting minutes and the May 5th meeting minutes were approved as presented.
- 2. Additions to the Agenda: None.
- 3. Public Comments: None.
- 4. Organizational Discussion: There may not be a July meeting depending upon the Grants' RFP requirement of motions needed from the Commission. Jen will check into this and notify the group accordingly.
- 5. Tree Grants. Tierney Farago asked for a press release and that went out to her last week. The RFPs have been posted. Tierney requested that as many of our Commission as possible to attend the Selectboard meeting on June 17th when the RFPs are opened and acted upon.
- 6. Town Forest. The Town Forest harvest is approved and on track to begin with marking of trees in the spring of 2027.
- 7. UVTA: Jen Chase will contact Sean Ogle from the Upper Valley Trail Alliance to schedule the walk-through and mapping of the south side of Jenkins Brook Road. She will also ask for the mapping completed of the north side.
- 8. Pollinator Garden update. Susan and Jen submitted the end of year report for the pollinator funds. Surprisingly, the old town garage was storing four iron/wood park benches. Erik Anderson said he is looking for a few stray iron pieces of one of the benches he believes may still be in the old garage. One bench is completed. He has left over wood and may have time to make a small outdoor table. Additional shrubs and trees were purchased along with mulch and all have been installed. The account has now been zeroed out as required by the grant.
- 9. Adjourn at 7:00 pm.