



Woodstock Conservation Commission

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APPROVED Minutes Woodstock Conservation Commission

Thursday July 23, 2026, 5:30-6:30 PM

165 Lost River Road, Woodstock, NH 03262

Attendance: Samantha Bobo-Woodward (Chair), Nicole Tewksbury (Commissioner), Roy Whitaker (Commissioner), Mark Sellingham (Commissioner) **Absent:** Jim Chesebrough (Secretary), Tracy Morgan (Commissioner) Gil Rand (Selectboard rep)

Due to absence of Secretary, JChesebrough, SBobo-Woodward recorded the meeting.

Call to Order – SBobo-Woodward 5:37 PM

Approval of Minutes from 06/25/26 – Motion: MSellingham 2nd: RWhitaker Unanimous approval

SBobo-Woodward sent recorded transcript of the meeting, and a general summary printed below.

SUMMATION:

Kevin is going to go back and put together some rough cost estimates for the various options we have related to both a timber sale and wildlife management and the related site prep that's required. He's also going to reach out to the forest service about the temporary use of Tripoli.

As for us, we need to:

- **Decide whether we're doing a timber sale, wildlife cuts, both, or nothing**
 - Kevin mentioned both is favorable - especially with the timber sale covering some of the bill
- **If we decide to go forward with a timber sale, we need to discuss the process with the Selectboard and maybe the town counsel:**
 - Do we put it out to bid/rfp? Or can we just go with whoever Kevin recommends?
 - Do we need to make public notice?
 - Do we need to solicit public input?
- **With regard to stream crossings on the property, if we put in a temporary bridge, do we have to remove the waste blocks too (per the Deed?) or do those not count as permanent structures?**
- **Other considerations for a potential timber sale:**
 - We have a say in the end use of the timber harvested from the site, so we may want to discuss the options there as well.

WCC Meeting – July 23, 2026

Direct Audio Transcript:

SBW: All right, so I'm gonna go ahead and call this meeting of the Woodstock Conservation Commission to order at 537 p.m. on July 23rd. Uh, 1st order of business is to approve the minutes from last meeting. Um, unless anyone has any changes, could I get a motion?

MS: Motion to approve.

RW: second.

SBW: All in favor?

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All: Aye.

SBW: Fantastic. I'll pass this around and we can all sign it, and then that'll go in the record. All right. Um... I think... we can probably, let's see, um, correspondence received is related to Kevin's joining us for this meeting. So, um, I guess we can use that as a sort of segue into your bit, if you would like.

KL: Thank you. I presume, Jim, I met with Jim. Yeah. Two weeks ago, I presented him share with you, books, was totally discussed, and...

SBW: Yes, more or less.

KL: I guess I'm just wondering, you know, what passport would you guys are interested in taking? Yeah, definitely. I did provide him... It wasn't in the management plan. A volume and value sheet. Again, it's just an estimate. I was looking at the numbers, and I think the oak might be a little inflated on that, just to keep that in mind. Okay. Timber inventory is statistics. So if you get a little sample, if you take one sample point, a little bit of oak kind of gets blown up over the whole, if you don't isolate it out, stratify it, I guess blowing up open hard acreage. So that's what happens.

SBW: Oh, good to know. Thank you. And thank you for your very thorough responses to all my questions. Sorry to put the screws to you, I didn't mean to be aggressive. Um, but I was just curious. It's kind of my job to ask questions.

KL: Jim had said it sounds like you guys are looking to move forward with some sort of management.

All: Yeah, I think so. Some wildlife improvement.

KL: I was telling him, there's, like, two different approaches. He wasn't sure how much timber sale wise, you'd be interested in. But there was an interest in doing some wildlife improvement practices.

All: Definitely.

KL: Those can go hand in hand with a timber sale and kind of cancel out the cost. The other thing is, is there's also the grant money from New Hampshire small grants through fish and game. There isn't probably going to be that much available, and I don't know if it would cover complete costs, but... If you kind of interlace things with a, you know, a small timber sale of sorts, you know, it helps keep the cost down, it wouldn't basically cost the town any money. He was wondering if I could, I didn't do it for this, and I can still do it, but to kind of prepare a cost estimate for different things, you know, like installing a temporary bridge structure across the stream, we get to the old log landing and preparing the old log landing for either use for a timber sale or a permanent wildlife opening, and then some pronto work to release, you know, to knock down the understory under the oak, compare the site for opening generation, things like that. I think that would be very helpful. Just to give you an idea on some costs or what it might cost to do those types of things.

MS: Yeah, I think that's because we'll have to present to the town for approval... So, when we did the hike a while back, we were talking about, like, the wildlife clearings and... So, how long should you go before the next cut in? And just, I don't know if there's any general...

KL: Yeah, it depends on what you have for species and management goals. Just a general rule of thumb theoretically, and for that type of wood, most stands up there, I mean, you could do, if you did a light entry and, you know, I wouldn't advocate for treating the whole area, obviously. I mean, there's things that are inoperable that are never going to get treated anyway because, you know, steeper gains going down in other brook valleys and stuff. Um, Just a rule of thumb, 15 to 20 years. I mean, it could be longer. Depends on regeneration response. you know, progression of the residual stands, things like that. Just, like, looking at the cost, it's not like it's gonna be, like, every 5 years. No, it's out there. So... I would... Compared with me, what I would recommend is doing it, and I'm not trying to sell a timber sale or anything, that would be wrong. I would integrate it with a timber sale to minimize the cost of the practices. I think it's more than cover it. And then you can just get everything done all at once. Like, rip the Band-Aid off stuff.

SBW: Sure.

KL: And I say do it all at once, you might have to do some site prep first, you know, get the bridge in, prepare the log landing. I think that the old skid trails are probably feasible the way they are for use. And then you could do that type of stuff. Anytime, early summer, get ready for a winter harvest. I think in order to get some successful regeneration in there, primarily for the oak, too, and the hemlock, actually. You probably want to do it early winter, so you still get a little bit of scarification to kind of prepare a scene bit for oak and hemlock.



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Winter sales are nice, you get less ground disturbance, but sometimes your species goals require, your regeneration goals require, some disturbance for a species like oak and hemlock. I'm not talking, you know deep skid tracks. I'm just saying, you know, turn over the duff layer, you know, get some soil exposed a little bit to just get that scene bed prepared. I mean, there's probably some oak seed underneath those oaks already. It's just waiting for some sunlight. I did September 2nd. Um, Oh, Ellsworth. Up on the Willie Farm Road last winter, this past winter on Green, on Green Acres, one of our big clients, and I just did the closeout work. It was a little oak seedlings popping up already. I mean, they were there. They just needed some sunlight. It's amazing how fast things respond.

KL: So, because some of that stuff, I mean, I, I, it would almost be a shame to send a small piece of equipment or a Bronto up and just knock all that beach down underneath the oaks and just let it sit there. It'd be nice to actually harvest it, chip it. It would just look a lot cleaner. And the only way to do that would be, you know, through a timber sale and you're not going to get anybody to go up there to do just that. You know, they want to harvest some more wood, obviously. And then I know we didn't get up that far when we walked with Jim, but last spring, last May, when I went up looking for the boundary lines in the corner so Alan could survey and stuff. I got way up top and there's some mature hardwoods up there that are going by. Some ash that have been hit by Emerald Ash Borer that are probably dead now. Um, I think there were some white birch that's in decline and some maples.

KL: You can do a shelter with harvest and leave a fair amount. So, you look at that volume and value sheet, that's just a total estimate. In reality, if you were to do a 10% sale, I would think you could look at 25 to 30% of that value probably. Just a rough number.

NT: Is there less impact? It just seems to me like doing both at once.

KL: That's what I feel. And then Jim was asking about, well, how would you cross that little stream to get into the landing? Where the old access road goes in. I would... You can inexpensively. I mean, you could spend as much money as you wanted it. You could pour concrete forms and put in steel I-beams and have a permanent bridge, and that would be, like, \$30,000. What I would do, if it were me and working on one of our clients, I would just skip some concrete waste blocks and just put in some footers with waste blocks and lay 10 by 10 hardwood bridge mats that we use like in the woods for skin trail stream crossings. They want to make sure they're 10 by 10 hardwood. Hemlock's a little brittle and can't support the weight. The hardwood, if they're may not like beech or oak or maple or something, can support the weight of a truck. Yeah, just lay those on top of the concrete pads. I mean, the concrete blocks, and you're in.

MS: I mean, that's a narrow span. It's not like that's a wide stream.

KL: Exactly. you know, a complete weight of a truck's not going to be on that at any given time anyway.

MS: Yeah, just one axle.

KL: And then when you're done, just look the panels off and take them off site and leave the blocks there and walk it off so nobody can get in there. You could probably do that for... I don't know how much bridge panels are now. I haven't purchased any lately..

MS: Yeah.

KL: You probably find some used ones. You could probably do that for \$5,000. Then the Town can keep them and reuse them somewhere else or might be nice to find a contractor that has them and use his. That's an option, too.

SBW: Yeah, we'll have to discuss if leaving the waste blocks is allowable by the deed, but...

KL: Oh yeah, that's right. didn't think of that.

SBW: Yeah, I, I mean, if it's not like in, as a permanent structure, so it could be allowed.

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MS: The deed does say we can make some developments for forestry so, I think that probably counts.

SBW: Yeah, I think that makes it a valid use, but I think that would also preclude us from leaving them there afterwards.

KL: Good point, didn't take that one. But anything else would be more permanent, I feel like, than that. So that probably is the best option. I've got to assume they just put a culvert in before and ripped it back out.

MS: That's what they did before. did it last, yeah. And the other issue is, is dealing with a forest service on the temporary use of AAA road.

KL: Right. I don't know how long that would take or how many hoops you have to jump through.

SBW: Yeah, I actually have not thought about that. I'll add that to my list. Um, that sounds like a question for Laura Spector Morgan. To help with a little, maybe.

MS: That's a good question, but, I mean, when they did the parking lot, they opened the gate, the gate was closed. They just opened the gate. So, I mean, it's doable, and they log all winter.

KL: Yeah, and they logged all winter on their own property, so I'm sure you could do it. I just it requires some sort of temporary use agreement, I think. Or special use.

SBW: Yeah, we'll have to do the homework for that part of it. Yeah. Yeah, I can look into that. That's not a problem.

KL: I can also inquire, too, if you want.

SBW: Oh, that'd be great. Yeah. That'd be awesome.

NT: activities to wait on during the summertime. Does that restrict the use of people going in there or cause a conflict as far as them going in using the closer climbing or other recreation or does it get closed off or?

KL: No, I mean, I think we'd be probably looking at a late fall, early winter harvest if we're going to do anything. So, I mean, I don't think there's many too many people climb that in the winter.

SBW: Not really, no.

KL: No, but how late in the fall did they go?

RW: Yeah, October, November, it slows right down. Yeah. It's just a comfort thing.

KL: Yeah. I mean, the rest of the cliffs and then would be on the north side of them away from them. So, I don't think it wouldn't impact.

MS: Where the log yard is, the path from the lower gate goes right through the log yard. Right through the yard.

RW: Yeah. There's no parking.

SBW: We'd probably have to put up signage, caution logging ahead and or just close it temporarily.

MS: Well, there's a notification thing.

NT: Yeah, or a notice to use the other parking lot. Use the other access.

KL: I remember looking at the hemlock and we were talking about maybe making some light poke in there to get some of that poor quality hardwood out and open up the hemlocks, though. try to regenerate some hemlock, which is, you know, important for wildlife cover too. So again, that can all be done in unison and all part of the whole process.

NT: I think Jim had a question about the Emerald Ash Borer... What should be done or could be done? I know they've done a lot.

KL: Unfortunately, what damage is done. I mean, they've, a lot of the ashes were starting to still want to dash now because of the bore. The state, I wouldn't, if you get any small ash, I wouldn't harvest those because the state has introduced a parasitic wasp, two or three different species, and the population of the wasp are, I think, of starting the increase and they're starting to see the, um, The population of Emerald Ashbor is starting to wane off and to even decline, I think, a little bit. So they're hopeful that we're catching it and eventually down the road, those young acts will have a fighting chance and make it into something. I don't know if they'll ever wipe out animal dash for her completely. But now we have beach leaf disease, which is wiping out beach.

SBW: Oh, goody.

KL: I've got some patches of beach and Groton I found a couple weeks ago, we're doing some timber sale layout and beech completely dead. Beech leaf disease is, uh... I don't know what, I don't know in detail, but it's a little nematode that gets into the beach buds. I think, and I don't know if it's late in the fall or early in the spring,



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and then as the beach leaves leaf out, they get into the veins and it just shuts off. It prevents a tree from producing chlorophyll and the whole photosynthesis process and it just kills it.

NT: What is the treatment?

KL: There is none. right now, then they don't know we don't know what to do low. Everybody dashboard, the wasps, Itos, eats. Yeah, they eat eat larvae. feed off the larvae of the ash trees. They have noticed some mature ash seem to not be affected by Emerald Lash though. It's, they don't know if a tree gives off some sort of pheromone. You know, it senses that ash are being attacked and it gives off the pheromone and wards off the Emerald Ash Borer, but, you know, they're studying that too.

SBW: That's really cool.

KL: But no, beech leaf is easy, and they don't know what any natural defense warded off or anything at this point. First, I thought it was just going to be understory beach, but now we're seeing more of mature beach being affected by it. So.

SBW: I'll add that to our invasive species appendix.

KL: We still have yellow birch, oak, and maple. That white birch. I mean, they all have issues, but...

MS: Is there a bag worm up here?

SBW: Probably.

KL: I've never seen them here.

MS: Well, I lived down south... The bag worms, I swear, they were like, thick down there. I haven't seen any up here. I'd never seen it before.

RW: I guess the other question is, is, do you think you were to do a timber sale to, you know, to accomplish all these goals? Would you be putting the sale up for bid?

KL: Good question. Great question. That is, yeah, that's, you know, a time process. This will be the 1st time.

RW: Yeah. I mean, what is your experience in dealing with a town managed forest? Do they bid up?

SBW: I would assume it's an RFP process, but...

KL: Our force sort of works down in the Capital area. He does a lot of sales around the city of Concord, and I think I can ask him to confirm it. I think they tend to just go with reputable contractors that we work with. And Chuck Rose down that way. He is a big contractor. I think he does a lot of their work. You know, we've got a bunch of contractors that we use on a regular basis that would be more than, I shouldn't speak for them, but I'm sure we can find somebody to harvest that, to do that work.

KL: I think that would be a question for the Selectboard. Putting it out for a bid, you gotta be careful because... The highest bidder doesn't mean you're gonna get the best... I mean, you've got to look at who's been in, too. You know, and I do know a lot of contractors around here. We know who the bad actors are and the games they play and stuff. So it would be. It'd be neat to see who would bid on it and what the bids are coming in at.

SBW: I've written RFPs before, so I think we could manage if we have to. If the town makes us, then we will, but otherwise, we'll just... Go with, yeah, whoever you recommend.

KL: If you put it up for bid, then you almost have to prepare the sale first, you know, mark the trees, figure out what you want to do, wear, so you're actually selling them. what trees they're going to be cutting and what needs to be done.

NT: I have a question. So if this is the estimated total operable timber volume and Would they be doing this this entire amount? in one thing?

KL: No.

NT: So it's going to be split up.

KL: That just the inventory. Right. as a whole.

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NT: I guess, my 2nd question would be, if we're gonna do this, Would you recommend doing, like, half or do you a quarter?

KL: I would say like a quarter to a third.

NT: Okay. Thank you. How many years after the first one, you were saying to go pay?

MS: It depends on your group, like you said.

KL: It could be 15 to 20 years, could be more. Depends on the success of the treatment, you know, how well the regeneration responds and the condition of the residual. right.

RW: Do we know what the town's experience is doing anything like this?

MS: [Merriam Woods] was private property when it was done last.

KL: Yeah, and I don't remember the last time.

MS: It was in the '80s.

SBW: I was gonna say, it was early early to mid 80s, I think, right?

KL: Yeah. I think kind of Danny Keniston...

MS: Yeah, the other my uncle ran the chipper in the yard.

KL: Oh, really?

MS: He worked for Danny then. Yep. And he's like, Ah, I don't know. Early 80s. Yeah. Hmm. Something like that. I want to say 83 comes to mind for some reason. Could be wrong.

SBW: Okay, so things that we need to decide on. Right? If we're gonna do a timber sale. That's question number one, right? I'm just trying to come up with, like, things we need to decide so that we can come back to you and give you marching corners. Um, Timber sale.

KL: What Jim's concern was that if you don't do anything, the society's gonna step in and say, hey, we're taking this back.

RW: Yeah. Right.

KL: I think if you're making an effort to plan and do something, you're going to be fine. Something's been done before... It's not like it needs to be this coming winter.

MS: Yeah, I mean, we have a management plan, which includes more kinds of subplans.

RW: Right, but we don't have a forestry. Forestry plan, yeah. Makes sense to have. I guess it

KL: So, I mean, not knowing anything about any of this stuff, just hearing you and learning what happens if we don't do it forever. Nothing. I mean, it's just another chunk of forest.

MS: We've been 46 years without doing anything. And we're just starting to do our homework now. So we're a little late to start. I'm sure they're gonna be tolerant of that.

KL: I mean, from a wildlife perspective, you know, if, you know, managing it for wildlife is the primary goal. It's, I have to look at Becky's write-up, and Will's write-up, but the general rule of thumb is on any given property, is to have a 10% of it in some sort of early successional state... No, I don't want to say clear. I hate the word clear cut. Just, you know, just an opening. whether it be permanent or temporary, because there's a lot of bird species and different wildlife species that require that early successional young forest habitat. If there's a lack of it, they're not going to be there. So when you go up into Tripoli, specifically, like, up to Russell, they've cleared all through that area. That's the other thing you gotta take into account. It's like... They've just... You know, if your neighbor's got... Four years of cutting, all winter long.

MS: Right. I mean, from brown ash swamp on the back side of Welsh Dickie all the way down to the gate. Right. has been... cut.

KL: Yeah. But, you know, those are the things you can take into account when you're managing your own property is what's your neighbor doing? That's a point. He's got 50 acres of opening right next door, though. It doesn't make sense for you to put in, you know, put yours in 10% early successional. Those are all considerations. So yeah, you're absolutely right. You know, you could, and the power line's not too far from there either, is it?

MS: Almost abutting.

KL: That serves as an opening, too. They use that. So that basically says that you could theoretically just go a little more conservative and don't have to worry about the early successional state.

NT: I think we were supposed to do a timber harvest in '26, and that was why this all started.



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SBW: Yeah, that was the original plan.

KL: Yeah, and those recommendations that I put in there. I wrote that, right, to the same specifications that an RCS requires for an RCS management plan, and they just want an estimated timeline of activities, and I just threw those in there. So it's not cast in stone.

SBW: Okay. Cool. Yeah. Thank you. So, yeah, I think we have a few things we need to discuss and decide on, probably at the next meeting.

MS: Do you get the Forest Service triple I road access?

SBW: Yes, I have that on my list.

KL: Yeah. I can, I gotta, I'm trying to remember who, I know, Roger Boyer is a district ranger or something out of this office. I don't know if he'd be the one to talk to, but I can find out.

SBW: Sounds good.

KL: would require to use that road for I know. I'm trying to think it would probably be... Six or eight, six to eight weeks, maybe, from start to finish, just a rough timeline.

MS: And the big picture is we're just trying to be responsible stewards.

KL: Right. I mean, like I said, there's nothing earth shattering after you. There's 20 acres of ash that's dying because of the Emerald Ash Borer, there's nothing blowing down. It's, you know, it's nothing earth shattering, and like I said, it wouldn't, it's nothing that would have to be done this winter. But if you're thinking of doing something, you can get the ball rolling, say, for, you know, next summer, maybe next winter.

SBW: Yeah, we can definitely figure out exactly how we're thinking of moving forward as well as, uh, yeah, but what the process, what, if we're gonna have to put it up for bid, all that sort of stuff, that'll...

RW: Yeah, that's bureaucracy.

SBW: Yeah, all the bureaucracy.

RW: I was gonna say, we're gonna have to have our budget and everything done before town meeting, and then everything else is to follow after all that.

SBW: Yes. Right? So...

RW: Good point. You know, is there gonna be any opposition from... Well, I'm wondering. I, um, I don't know. I wouldn't think so, but Yeah.

KL: Yeah. Because we just did... in the town, Hebron, on their town forest and people are like, oh, my God, what this? Oh my god, you're cutting down all the trees. Of course. They are kind of in the same situation. They acquired that property. Gosh, it was, I can't remember when. 25 years ago. And it was ready for 10% when they bought it. Oh, that would be on the list, like public feedback or public announcement or whatever we need to do. Oh, yeah. helped one of our other foresters lay that job out with this late fall and going into winter. It was a winter sale. And I mean, there was 25, 30 inch oak, and the tops are half dead and it's like, what do you leave? You know, that was the shockers. It was a pretty open harvest. And people are saying that, you know, why'd you cut it so heavy? It's like, well, you don't understand. If you leave these oak trees with half dead tops in 5 years, they're going to be completely dead. you take the worst of the worst and hope for the best on the ones that you're leaving. It was a tough, tough operation. And they were, some people are, were, upset about the cost of the road upgrade to get in there too. You know, the road, when it was harvested last time, it was just small cable skidders and narrow trucks. And, you know, today, the equipment's different and you need wider access to those. The road needed to be upgraded So I'm sure you just needed to be cut and a bridge needed to be constructed and it just it costs a lot of money. So they ended up with almost next to nothing. But there's another timber sale to do. So that initial cost is going to get spread over the course of 2 entries. So it's the next time around, they'll

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make some money. But there's all those things to consider too. You know, a lot of people don't like seeing trees come down.

SBW: Honestly can't say I blame them, but... If you don't understand the successional, like, ecological aspects, I understand why you would be upset about trees getting cut. Um... but they grow back.

KL: Yes. Remarkably fast too, though.

SBW: Yeah, if anyone wants healthy ash saplings, my yard is full of them.

KL: Oh is that right?

SBW: Yeah. They're popping up everywhere. Like the dripstone along the house, like it's, yeah, they're, I don't know what about the soil around my house, but yeah.

KL: Ash likes wet sites. So there you go.

SBW: Yeah, we have a ravine in the back with a brook, so it's quite damp. Um, But I digress. Well, thank you very much. That was awesome. Anyone else have any additional questions? for Kevin?

KL: So, in the meantime, yeah, I can research, um, you, using the forest service road, and then I can put together some rough numbers on costs, I guess, of what I think it would be to... I'd have to, I'll have to reach back out to Jim and look at my notes too, and see what we would, like, we discussed exactly. You know, I think there was cost for the bridge and the cost of getting the Bronto in to do the landing and they do the beach. At minimum.

SBW: Yeah, that'd be awesome.

KL: I mean, if you do that, just those things, it's, you know, you can get money, great money from fish and game, but it's not going to cover the complete cost, you know, costing. It depends how much the budget money you can get, what you want to do.

SBW: Yeah. I don't remember off the top of my head with our budget. was for this or if we've put anything aside for it yet.

MS: I don't think we've ever did. Will need to be on the new budget.

KL: Okay. Yeah. Great. So. Like I said, if you can incorporate it with a responsible timber sale, you can get a lot of that stuff done at the same time and actually make some income, too. Not a bad idea.

MS: Should we plan to be a break even prospect, or should we, like, we need to present this to a support board.

KL: Yeah. Um, I can try to figure that out too, just based on the timber volumes, just figure out one thing going against us right now is timber markets are horrible. Um, I don't know if anybody's heard news, but there's a big, um, we just lost hemlock pulp market completely, um, which isn't good because there's somehow a lot to cook. They're too wet. Where does that mean we lost? Finch paper over in Gluntz Falls, New York. Just closed its pulp mill.

MS: Oh, Permanent. Really?

KL: There's no market to sell it.

SBW: Oh my gosh.

KL: Yeah, that was the last hemlock pulp market within reach of this area.

MS: All the paper companies now are out of the south, right?

KL: Yes.

MS: Yeah. I used to buy paper from Alabama or something in Canada.

KL: Yeah. Um, some of the loggers around here used to be able to deliver hemlock pulp to them and then it would get transferred to Finch. So that's just got cut off. I mean, hardwood logs are decent. They're okay. Pulp is a little finicky. Right now it's decent, but last summer it was horrible. The mills were a chockoblock full because we had the dry weather. So it is what it is, but I can take some estimated volumes from a timber sale based on the objectives, you know, the wildlife improvements and stuff and try to project what it in what income would look like and then where they get the cost of doing those.

SBW: Yep, that would be great.

KL: If you did a commercial timber sale, you wouldn't have to hire a Broncho to come in and do, you know, that oak generation prep area, because you could incorporate that into a sale. So that helps.

NT: Does that mean you would instruct the harvester? to do that work?

KL: Yeah.



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NT: As part of the deal? Got it.

KL: Yeah. The biggest cost in that scenario would be getting the bridge and the landing ready.

MS: Could that be a very original landing? Could that be part of this timber sale, too? Like if you want that? If...

KL: Yep, if we found the right contractor and they're willing, you know, they have the bridge mats and concrete waste blocks are inexpensive. You can buy a waste block like \$80 apiece, I think.

SBW: I have 3 under my porch. If we really need them.

NT: Is it more enticing for a harvester to go with a higher yield, say the 3rd instead of the quarter?

KL: Yeah, I would. Make it worthwhile. You know, and you probably get a little bit better stumpage rate because they got to cut more volume, but you want to be careful with that too. You want to be careful, you don't want to open things up too much, though, and then you're not going to meet your objectives. Like, you don't want to open that hemlock up too much because you're not going to get hemlock regeneration back. You'll start getting more hardwood, or just, you know, grasses and, you know, raspberries and stuff. So yeah, you want to be careful. But you're right. If you try to cover more area and gain more volume, it makes it clearer to somebody, you can get some better stomach values.

RW: Where do you live?

KL: I live in Plymouth. It's close. originally from Gorham area. I've worked up Gorham. I worked in Vermont and down here now. So... Yeah, I appreciate it. all the places.

RW: The reason I ask is because you could join our committee and be super helpful.

KL: Yeah. I could do that.

NT: Well, you think you have to be a resident, right?

KL: Yeah, probably. I think

SBW: You have to be a Woodstock resident.

KL: Figured as much. No, but, I mean, we're here to help, so...

SBW: Thank you. Now, this has been really, really, really insightful.

KL: Thank you.

SBW: Cool. All right. I think we all have our marching orders, so, I guess, yeah.

KL: Give us some rough numbers and pass them through, Jim, and he can get them to you guys.

SBW: Sounds good, and I'm happy to follow up if anyone comes up with questions after this. So... Yeah. All right.

All: Thanks so much, Kevin. All right. Thank you. Talk to you later. Thanks. Have a good one.

RW: Hope Jim is having a good time on his brass band tour.

SBW: I would bet he is... We've got, what, 15 ish minutes left? Um, let's see, other correspondents. Um, looks like we got an email from Chris Vaughn asking about the 2nd kiosk. Um, Let's see. He is not asking about timing, but I, I don't...

RW: I could put some timing on it behind getting it together. I shouldn't take that long. We're just busy.

SBW: Yeah, I mean, if you want to come up with a, um, just, like, a rough timeline for the 2nd kiosk.

RW: So, yeah. I could just chime in and say I can work on it and get it in by whatever time frame. Also, for the panels for the other one. The images I got from Jim, I couldn't open.

SBW: Oh, okay. I'll resend them.

RW: No, I have them. He said them a separate way. Um, yeah, Apple has a priority, um, proprietary H-E-I-C stuff doesn't play well with others.

SBW: Yep. I gotcha.

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RW: But I have them, I just have to print it.

SBW: Okay. Sounds good. So, I think that actually addresses all of the... all of the old business and correspondence. Um, anyone have any additional... topics? Okay. Hearing none. Um... I guess, can I get a motion to adjourn at 618?

MS: Motion to adjourn.

RW: Second.

SBW: All in favor?

All: Aye

SBW: Fantastic. We are off the record.

Adjournment: Motion to Adjourn: 6:07 PM MSellingham 2nd: MSellinghamRWhitaker Unanimous approval

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