## CAMPTON CONSERVATION COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES

8:30 AM February, 26, 2024

Town Hall Community Room, 10 Gearty Way, Campton, NH 03223

Members Present: Bill Copeland, Hope Eagleson, Jess Halm, Jane Kellogg, Janet Lucas

Others Present: Steve Shaughnessy

Jane called the meeting to order at 8:32.

Steve presented the 4 sealed bids received for the proposed timber sale at Pattee Conservation Park.

First, envelopes were inspected to confirm that all were sealed. Confirmation made.

Next, each bid was opened and Jane announced the logger name for each one: John Moulton, Mark Dunklee, Wade Reed, Heath Bunnell.

A standard form, developed by Steve, was used to solicit bids and compare apples to apples.

Steve calculated the bid amounts for each of the 3 stumpages (White Pine Sawlogs, Pine low grade or pallet, Pine pulpwood). Jess checked the calculations for accuracy.

Total Bids from highest to lowest:

Mark Dunklee: \$ 11,220 Wade A Reed: \$ 10,140 John Moulton: \$ 8,265 Heath Bunnell: \$ 6,765

Note that these are estimates, subject to mill rates (which can be up or down); According to Steve, mill rates are at/near record prices right now.

Janet moved to accept the highest bid. Jess seconded. All voted to approve.

Janet moved that in the event that Dunklee does not want to sign the contract for the cut, we would take the second highest bid, and so forth. Bill seconded. All voted to approve.

There were a few questions about expectations and next steps. Steve reviewed details moving forward. The driveway permit lasts until July 18, 2024; As part of the contract to be signed, seeding will be done. CCC to determine/request type of seed (I.e rye)

Steve will follow up in contacting the loggers, getting arrangements made for contract signatures, paperwork for timber tax/intent to cut forms, etc. He will continue to be in touch with the commission through Jane.

Meeting adjourned at 9: 15am