

**Lee Conservation Commission Minutes for Maude Jones Memorial Forest Site Walk
October 25, 2023**

Present: Dawn Genes (Chair), Mimi Winder (Secretary), Deb Sugerman, Anne Tappan, Laurel Cox, Mark Nelson

Others present: Don Quigley, Tom Lee, Chuck Cox

A site walk was performed with Don Quigley to review the Timber Forest Plan Proposal.

Don provided an introduction and overview of the project. This is a designated Tree Farm, which has a commitment to support the forest according to the forest management plan. Tom Lee is in the process of performing an inventory of plants at the site.

The group walked the area and was able to observe the project areas that have been marked with flagging. There was a discussion of the merits of this plan for maintaining an early succession forest and providing habitat enhancement for both native plants and wildlife. It was noted that this project and site could provide a great opportunity for outreach education on forest management. Plans/dates to present the project to the Select Board and public will be needed.

Respectfully submitted: Mimi Winder