

DEER MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE
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**Deer Management Committee
Zoom Meeting Minutes
March 12, 2024**

Committee members in attendance: Mike Russnok (Chair), Jeff Lapnow, Jeffrey Runge, Brett Amero, Donna Merrill, Justin Viesta

Call to Order: Mr. Russnok called the meeting to order at 6:30 pm.

- I. Review 2023 Hunt Season:** Mr. Russnok reviewed the results of hunter surveys. Ms. Merrill agreed to contact neighbors in the area of Pope's Pond to attempt better access to this site.
- II. New Members:** Mr. Russnok introduced Mr. Viesta, a new Committee Member.
- III. Weir Farm Request:** Mr. Conklin stated he was contacted about adding Weir Preserve to the Controlled Hunt for bow hunting only. Members discussed walking the site to ascertain if hunting could take place safely with trails remaining open to residents.
- IV. 2024 Meeting Schedule:** Mr. Russnok explained the timing of the six meetings per year.

Mr. Russnok MOVED to APPROVE the 2024 Meeting Schedule, SECONDED by Mr. Lapnow and CARRIED 6-0-0 with all in favor.
- V. Approval of Minutes May 9, 2023:** Mr. Lapnow MOVED to APPROVE the Meeting Minutes as drafted, SECONDED by Ms. Merrill and PASSED with no opposition.
- VI. Public Comment:** None
- VII. Adjourn:** The meeting ended at 7:21 pm.

Respectfully submitted,
Liz Larkin, Secretary, Environmental Affairs