1. Call to Order
   - Meeting called to order at 5:03 p.m.
   - Action: Minutes from the October 24, 2019 meeting were approved, with a motion John Whitman, seconded by Any Toepfer. Motion passed with abstentions from Michael Tuller and Lise Fortin.
   - Action: Minutes from the December 11, 2019 meeting were approved, with a motion by Any Toepfer, seconded by John Whitman. Motion passed unanimously.
   - Follow-up from previous minutes
     - Is there a place to see EAB infestations in other states? Andy mentioned that you have to go to each individual state’s website to find their EAB maps.
     - John and Andy usually go to the Forest Health Meeting in April. They can bring some of the committees EAB questions to the meeting to get answers.
     - Committee comments on the Draft Tactical Basin Plan were officially submitted to Marie Caduto.

2. Introductions & Welcome

3. Additions or Changes to the Agenda

4. Regional Plan Update 2020
   - This will be a new standing item on the agenda throughout the update process in 2020
• In 2018 the committee started to identify areas in the plan that the committee will want to address. The Sept. 2018 minutes has notes on those identified areas. When ready, the committee will begin by reviewing those identified areas.

5. Emerald Ash Borer
• January 9th Program in Londonderry
  o The EAB presentation was well attended. There were 26 audience members, 4 presenters & 1 reporter/community access TV. Communities represented included: Londonderry, Windham, Grafton, Andover, Brattleboro, Athens, Wardsboro, Ludlow.
  o Andy Toepfer gave an overview of the presentation and some important items he took away from the presentation.
• January 29th Program in Newfane
  o Andy Toepfer encouraged all committee members to share the information on the program with people in their towns, especially with tree wardens or other relevant town representatives.
  o Andy Toepfer mentioned that EAB will not only be a problem along town roads, but also along trails. Dead ash trees will pose a threat to hikers, snowmobilers, etc. who pass underneath the trees.
  o The committee asked Margo to please send them information on the upcoming EAB Municipal program on January 29th again.
• Road Forman’s Meeting
  o EAB will be on the agenda for the next Road Forman’s meeting. The date is not yet set, but will likely be in February. The meeting is being organized by Marion Major.

• The GMNF discussion from the December meeting was discussed at the Executive Board meeting in December. The Executive Board went along with the committee’s decision and decided not to sign the letter of commitment for the CFLRP grant.
• A representative from Green Mountain National Forest will be speaking at the March Full Commission meeting.
• A representative from Green Mountain National Forest was invited to speak at one of the Natural Resources Committee’s upcoming meetings before the March full Commission Meeting, but a date has not been set yet.
• A copy of the letter of commitment, which was not yet available at the December meeting, was distributed as information.

7. Clean Water Service Providers
• A draft RFP for finding Clean Water Service Providers was released for comments. Chris Campany wrote a letter of response that was presented and approved at the January Executive Committee meeting. The letter is asking for the State to stick to the timeline presented in the bill and not start a CWSP in the CT River region at this time.

8. Act 250 Update Discussion
• The Governor’s Office and the VNRC have submitted a proposal for updates to Act 250 that is making its way into the legislature.
• The committee has several concerns about some of the proposed updates and would like to make comments on the proposal if these updates make their way further in the legislature and go up for public comment.
• There are several WRC committees that might be interested in the Act 250 discussion. Margo will make sure that Project Review, Planning Coordination and Transportation are aware of the document.
• Margo will track the updates in the legislature and will keep the committee updated on the status.

9. Upcoming Events

10. Public Comment

11. Adjournment: A motion was made to adjourn by Andy Toepfer and seconded by Jim Pinkerton. The motion passed and the meeting was adjourned at 6:36 pm.