



COÖS COUNTY DELEGATION QUARTERLY MEETING

DATE: November 8, 2019

PLACE: North Country Resource Center - 629B Main Street - Lancaster, NH

TIME: **10:00 a.m.**

AGENDA

Part I

1. Pledge of Allegiance.
2. Roll Call.
3. Review & Approval of the Minutes of the August 23, 2019, regular meeting, as distributed.
4. Hearing of the Public.
5. Review & Approval of the Financial Statements of Coös County and of the Unincorporated Places for the Period Ended September 30, 2019.
6. Old Business:
 - a. Discussion of HB 540, bonding for Balsams development in Dixville and Delegation process.
 - b. Discussion of development of County Delegation Handbook.
7. New Business:
 - a. Long term care arrears reports - Coös County Nursing Home & Coös County Nursing Hospital.
 - b. Approval of SEA Collective Bargaining Agreement.
 - c. Status of broadband access and coverage in Coös County.
8. Subcommittee Reports
 - a. Update on the annual National Forest Funds Distribution – Rep. Tucker.
9. Any other business:

Part II

10. Panel on Coös forest lands:

Part II of the meeting will be an informational presentation organized in response to the Delegation's expression of interest, at the meeting in July, on the subject of the Coös forest lands, their management. The Coös forest lands have been the subject of a recent U.S. Second Congressional District meeting and a Dartmouth College gathering focused on the Second College Grant UP. Both meetings focused on the future of the Northern Forest in a time of climate change. Due to time limitations, a review of the NH system of Yield (Timber) Taxes and UP revenue, will be scheduled for a separate meeting.

Some Issues:

- The ownership of Coös forest lands;
- The current economic impact, employment and other issues surrounding the use of the forest;
- The climate change / environmental impact on the forest as a part of the Great North Woods, and Northern Forest land of the USA and Canada.

Presenters:

- Brendan Prusik, UNH Ext., Community & Economic Development / Forestry Field Specialist
- Brad Simpkin, Director/State Forester
- NH Department Natural and Cultural Resources, Division of Forests and Lands
- Jason Stock, Executive Director, NH Timberlands Owners Association
- Jamie Sayen, Coös Resident, Environmentalist, Author

Time for Questions and Answers:

11. Date of next meeting: Saturday, December 7, 2019

DELEGATION MEETING &
PUBLIC HEARING on the 2020 PROPOSED BUDGET
Coös County Nursing Hospital
W. Stewartstown, NH beginning at 10:00 a.m.

12. Adjournment.