Minutes Bar Harbor Deer Herd Control Task Force June 12, 2014

Upstairs Conference Room-Municipal Building 93 Cottage Street 4:30 pm

I. Call to Order

In attendance, Robert Kelley, Robert Burgess, Tom Schaeffer, Lisa Bates, Lt. Jim Pinkham, Bruce Connery

II. Absences

Chuck Starr, Robert Jordan, Jesse Wheeler

III. Approval of the Minutes

Minutes of the May 15, 2014, approved 5-0.

IV. Adoption of the Agenda

Agenda adopted by 5-0 vote.

The task force revised a draft management plan compiled by Rob Burgess, editing for details and specifics. The draft plan includes background material summarizing the previous work of the task force, a discussion of the process for changing deer management rules, a discussion of methods deemed unfeasible by the task force, a short-term and long-term management strategy for deer in Bar Harbor, and methods for assessing effectiveness. The short-term reduction effort was modeled directly on the approved special hunt in Islesboro. Revisions were made and details added, some details remain to be considered, but the revised draft plan was considered adequate for presentation to the Town Council at their July 1 meeting.

V. Old Business

None

VI. New Business

None

VII. Items for Next Agenda

The town council will meet July 1 to renew the charter of the task force (or not) and to consider the draft management plan. No meeting is scheduled pending the outcomes of that meeting.

VIII. Adjournment 6:00 by unanimous consent.