

Town of Grantham  
Conservation Commission  
Monitoring of the Fisher/Lucius Smith Lot of the Town Forest  
May 30, 2020

The Grantham Conservation Commission monitored the Fisher (aka Lucius Smith Lot) on Miller Pond Road. Susan Buchanan, John Eylander, Richard Kaszeta, Dennis Ryan and David Wood met at the Fisher Lot parking lot at 2:00 PM on Saturday, May 30, 2020. We visited the cellar hole of the original Fisher home and proceeded to the cemetery, noting the appearance of a new, white headstone bearing the name Simon B. Harris. The recommendation was made that signs be created identifying the Fisher cellar hole and the cellar home of his son-in-law near Miller Pond Road. Additionally, it was recommended that Dennis Ryan write up a history of the Fisher family and lot to be associated with a geocache to be created by John Eylander and added to the above signs with a QR code.

The walk continued across the middle of the lot parallel with Miller Pond Road as far as View Place and returning along the blazed southern boundary to the parking area. No incursion into the lot was found. It was noted that the forest contains a number of large white ash that should be harvested before they are killed by the emerald ash borer infestation, although no evidence of the infestation was seen.

We left the lot at 3:40 PM.