

Monkton ANAC Meeting Minutes for 22 October 2014

In Attendance

Members: Deb Gaynor, Sam Burr, Rachel Schattman. Laura Farrell present by phone.

Absent: Corine Farewell.

Guests: None.

- 1) Laura called the meeting to order (7:12pm)
- 2) Sam moved to approve the minutes from 24 September 2014. Deb seconded. All in favor. Minutes approved.
- 3) Laura updated the committee on the intertown conservation meeting plans.
 - a) There is a potential meeting 19 November 2014 with the conservation group from Ferrisburgh. Bristol will also be invited.
 - b) A second meeting will be held 7 January 2014.
 - c) Meeting on 19 November will start at 7pm for ANAC members, and 7:15pm for guests.
 - d) Proposed agenda of the meeting:
 - a. Introductions,
 - b. Listening session of work accomplished in each town,
 - c. Group strengths and assets,
 - d. Opportunities for collaboration.
 - e) Discussion is held about the materials ANAC should gather prior to the meetings. Laura will circulate town maps that may be useful. A projector and screen is needed (Laura will look for these.) Laura will ask guests to bring town maps, and a computer if maps are digital.
- 4) We discussed the public perception of ANAC funding. Front Porch Forum posts make it clear that ANAC funding has decreased in the last funding cycle. No further public response is needed at this time.
- 5) The Nature Conservancy (TNC) closed on the Rotax swamp parcels. It is unclear who will hold a conservation easement in the long-term. Jon Binhammer (representing TNC) will attend the next Monkton Selectboard meeting to propose town involvement. Sam will attend.
- 6) We discussed archiving town maps on the town website.
- 7) The Lewis Creek Association annual meeting is 26 October 2014 at the Mount Philo Inn. The gully projects at Last Resort Farm are going ahead using funding from Lewis Creek Association and NRCS. Two different designs will be used. Monitoring of the projects will help inform future designs.
- 8) Because of intertown conservation meetings on 19 November 2014 (at which any town resident or guest is welcome), we will not be holding a regular ANAC meeting in December. The next regular ANAC meeting will be on 7 January 2015 at 7pm.
- 9) Sam motions to adjourn. Deb seconds. All in favor. Meeting adjourned at 8:27pm.

Respectfully submitted,
Rachel Schattman, ANAC Secretary