

Monkton ANAC Meeting Minutes for 22 July 2015

In Attendance

Members: Deb Gaynor, Corine Farewell, and Laura Farrell

Absent: Sam Burr, Rachel Schattman

Guests: Al Karnatz, Alison Lesure, Paul Whalen

- 1) Laura called the meeting to order at 7:06 pm.
- 2) Al Karnatz from Vermont Land Trust provided an update on the status of the current Monkton farm appraisal. The process has started, but it is not expected to be complete until mid to late August, and the next steps will happen soon after that. Al arrived at 7:00 pm and left the meeting at 7:45 pm.
- 3) ANAC members visited with Paul Whalen, an interested potential member of ANAC and the Monkton Conservation Commission. Members shared their backgrounds and provided an overview of the mission and work of ANAC. Paul will proceed with submitting a letter of interest to the Selectboard. Paul arrived at 7:30 pm.
- 4) Approval of minutes from 17 June 15 meeting – Deb moved to approve the minutes as written, Corine seconded, and all were in favor.
- 5) Rotax/TNC parcel update – Laura sent Bob Heiser the Selectboard minutes approving the funding and acquisition of the Rotax parcels, and TNC should now have what they need to take the next steps.
- 6) Data backup – Data is being backed up on two thumb drives, one of which will be located at the Town Hall. Data will be updated and backed up periodically on these two drives.
- 7) January 23, 2016 from 2-5 pm was set as the date for the Intertown Meeting of Conservation Commissions. Addison Regional Planning Commission will sponsor the meeting and recommended hosting it at Holly Hall in Bristol. Laura will reach out to the Regional Planning Commission with an update and will include the date for the meeting in the questionnaire sent to towns.
- 8) ANAC members completed the questionnaire that will be sent to neighboring towns' Conservation Commissions. The completed questionnaire from Monkton will be provided as an example for the other towns to work off of as they complete it for their own Conservation Commission.
- 9) Planning Commission Viewshed Committee update – Sam was unable to attend the last Planning Commission Viewshed Committee meeting, but Ivor Hughes, Scott Wilson, and Buzz Kuhn attended the meeting. The committee plans to continue to do more outreach at this point in time.
- 10) Other Business:
 - Laura inquired about where the “ANAC” emails (anac@monktonvt.com) are going and will send an email to the Monkton webmaster to determine where these emails are being directed.
 - Laura will send an email to neighboring Conservation Commissions with the questionnaire and Monkton's completed example, and request a response by August 30th.
- 11) Next meeting will be August 26th at 7 pm.

12) Laura moved to adjourn the meeting, all in favor. Meeting adjourned at 9:21pm.

Respectfully submitted,
Alison Lesure