

Town of Monkton
Agricultural & Natural Areas Committee
MEETING MINUTES
12th November 2018, 7:00pm
Russell Memorial Library
(Approved 12th December 2018)

Attendance:

Members: Laura Farrell, Jaime Schulte, Susan Mahony, Sam Burr
Absent: None
Guests: None
Minutes Taker: Jaime Schulte

- 1) Laura called the meeting to order (7:07)
- 2) Approve minutes for August, October (7:00-7:10)
 - The October minutes were amended to remove the names of the proposed project participants. Unanimously approved as amended.
 - August minutes need to be edited (Laura), and will be reviewed at the next meeting.
- 3) Updates/discussion (7:10 – 7:21)
 - Town forest concept
 - Should talk with the Selectboard and the Planning Commission on what they think a town forest should be. Could discuss with the town at Town Meeting?
 - Could a town committee be formed to determine what the town wants? Need to look at how the town forests in Hinesburg are set up and managed.
 - ANAC can't manage a committee like that, but perhaps the Conservation Commission could. The CC is getting started up again next month.
- 4) Executive Session to discuss the current project "2018A". (7:21-8:05)
- 5) 2019 ANAC Budget and Report (8:05-8:35)
 - Need to determine what to ask the town for as a budget. We asked for 35k in 2018 (no discussion/debate at Town Meeting).
 - Sam to do a calculation of what 45k would cost on the tax rate.
 - Current balance is \$87,538.89 (although \$35k for 2018 is not yet available - coming 12/31/18).
 - Notes for the annual ANAC report
 - Full Belly closing, evaluating project 2018A.
 - Expenses, etc.
- 6) Site visit follow-up and next steps. Fill out site visit document (8:35 – 8:45)
 - Will review the Current Use Forest Management Plan (FMP) for project 2018A as a next step (creating a PDF for the December meeting).
 - Postponed the review of the site visit checklists until we review the FMP first (in December).
- 7) Other business (8:45-8:55)
 - Discussed a potential project that might come to ANAC in the future.
- 8) Confirmed dates for December and January (8:55-8:59)
 - Wednesday, December 12th
 - Wednesday, January 23rd

9) Adjourn

- Sam moved to adjourn the meeting and Susan seconded. All were in favor. Meeting adjourned at 9:00pm.

Respectfully submitted,
Jaime Schulte