

**Town of Monkton  
Agricultural & Natural Areas Committee  
MEETING MINUTES  
Wednesday, April 15<sup>th</sup>, 2020, at 6:30pm  
Zoom & Phone Meeting  
(Approved 5/11/2020)**

**Members Attending:** Laura Farrell (Chair), Sam Burr (Vice Chair), Jaime Schulte (Clerk), Susan Mahony, Nora Woolf (Alternate), John Mejia (at 7:00)

**Guests:** Whitney Leighton

**Laura called the meeting to order at 6:34.**

**1) Welcome Whitney and introductions to ANAC and ourselves**

**2) Approve Minutes**

- a. **Sam moved that we approve the minutes for February 4<sup>th</sup>, 2020. Jaime seconded.** No edits were made in discussion.
- b. **Jaime moved that we approve the minutes for February 4<sup>th</sup>, 2020 as written. Sam seconded. All were in favor (5-0-0).**

**3) Elections**

- a. Open positions: Tech czar, Accounts, Community Engagement, Advertising, and review of existing positions. Will postpone elections until Whitney has an opportunity to consider joining the committee.
- b. Laura to ask the Selectboard about Sam and Nora swapping roles at their request (alternate vs. regular member).

**4) Updates**

- a. Doyle-Burr OPAV
  - Moving forward. On track for a potential closing in August.
- b. Huizenga project 2019C (Laura)
  - Investigating whether additional funding is available to enhance riparian areas and support restricting key ecological areas of the farm long-term (CREP).
- c. Potential project 2019A (Laura)
  - Looking at next steps.
- d. Town Forest progress (Jaime)
  - Mostly on-hold pending some activities to gather town input and generate interest.
- e. Document storage space (Jaime)
  - No new updates. Monkton is working on updates to the overall technology setup.

**5) COVID Ideas?**

- a. Successfully meeting using Zoom/phone calls.
- b. Farmer's Markets are not considered essential currently, which is having an impact to our local farms. How can the community help?
  - Figuring out pick-your-own options (by appointment, etc.)
  - We will assist as there are requests for help from the town.

**6) Confirm Next Meeting Dates (8:15-8:20)**

- a. Monday, May 11<sup>th</sup> @ 7:00pm
- b. Wednesday, June 10<sup>th</sup> @ 7:00pm

**7) Reviewed draft minutes.**

**Adjournment**

Nora moved to adjourn. Sam seconded. All were in favor (6-0-0). Adjourned at 8:15pm.

**Respectfully submitted,**

**Jaime Schulte**  
**Clerk**