

**Town of Monkton
Agricultural & Natural Areas Committee
MEETING MINUTES
Monday, October 21st, 2020, at 7:00pm
Zoom & Phone Meeting**

Members Attending: Laura Farrell (Chair), Susan Mahony (Vice-Chair), Jaime Schulte (Clerk), John Mejia (Digital Czar), Whitney Leighton (Alternate)

Members Absent: Nora Woolf, Sam Burr (Alternate)

Guests: None

Laura called the meeting to order at 7:05pm.

1) Quick Robert's Rules review.

2) Approve Meeting Minutes

- a. <http://monktonvt.com/boards-and-committees/anac/anac-minutes/>
- b. **Susan moved to discuss the minutes for September 16th, 2020. Jaime seconded.**
Minor edits were made in discussion. **Susan moved to approve the minutes of September 16th, 2020 as amended. Jaime seconded. All were in favor (5-0-0).**

3) Updates :

- a. Covid assistance – farms are OK at this time
- b. Doyle-Burr OPAV – project complete! Looking at next summer for a celebration, after discussion with the Doyle-Burrs.
- c. Huizenga project 2019C – project has closed! Looking at a small celebration this fall.
- d. Potential project 2019A (Laura) – no update
- e. Town Forest progress (Jaime)
 - Town Forest Committee is supporting the Conservation Commission's Values Mapping effort and considering coming back to the idea of some socially-distanced site visits to Monkton forests, to gain a better understanding of what is and what might be.
- f. Document storage space (Jaime)
 - Mentioned at a recent Selectboard meeting. Everyone recognizes the need. Steve Pilcher to discuss next steps with Mark Boltz-Robinson.

4) Election

- a. Alternates – will clarify at our next meeting.

John left the meeting at this time (7:50pm)

5) Request from The Planning Commission

The PC is looking for input for revisions to Monkton's Unified Planning Document (zoning regulations). There is a current round of updates, which are largely complete and will go to the voters in March 2021. There will be another round of updates later in 2021, which we can contribute recommendations to for improved zoning and subdivision regulations.

- a. We have more time to consider recommendations (~6 months).
- b. We could collaborate with the Conservation Commission who is drafting an Act 171 map and related maps. Laura to reach out to Addison County Regional Planning to assess

available resources to help with draft Act 171 maps (Kevin Behm retiring at the end of 2020).

6) Discussed adopting a modified version of Conservation Commission documents

- a. Discussed Conservation Commission and Vermont League of Cities & Towns documents on committee operating procedures and on-boarding for new members.
- b. Whitney will create a draft of the documents for ANAC. Jaime will assist as needed. We'll review the draft documents at our next meeting.

7) Confirm dates for November 17th, December, & January

- a. Tuesday, November 17th @ 7:00pm – Jaime to determine meeting info (conflicts with Planning Commission)
- b. Wednesday, December 16th @ 7:00pm
- c. Wednesday, January 13th @ 7:00pm

8) Review Minutes

- a. Minutes were reviewed.

Adjournment

Susan moved to adjourn. Jaime seconded. All were in favor. (4-0-0). Adjourned at 8:51pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Jaime Schulte
Clerk