

**Town of Monkton
Agricultural & Natural Areas Committee
MEETING MINUTES
Wednesday, May 26th, 2021, at 7:00pm
Zoom & Phone Meeting**

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

Members Absent: Sam Burr (Alternate), Whitney Leighton

Guests: None

Laura called the meeting to order at 7:06pm.

1) Minutes

- a. **Jaime moved to consider the minutes of May 5th, 2021. Susan seconded.** Some review took place. **John moved to approve the minutes of May 5th, 2021 as amended. Susan seconded.** No additional discussion. **All were in favor (4-0-0).**

2) Updates:

- a) Covid assistance progress - ARPA - Discussed ideas.
- b) Potential project 2021A inquiry (Jaime) – no new updates.
- c) Town Forest progress (Jaime) – no new updates.
- d) Document storage space (Jaime) – this was on the Selectboard agenda on Monday of this week. Jaime's understanding is that the Selectboard is looking at whether to choose the Google vs. Microsoft systems of applications and storage for municipalities. It is likely they will go with the Microsoft option (Teams for meetings, applications like Word, Excel, etc., and OneDrive and/or Dropbox for cloud storage). This aligns better with what the state is using.
- e) Raven Ridge (Whitney) – no new updates.
- f) Field Naturalist (Laura) – the field naturalist starts field work on June 1st.
- g) Potential project 2019A (Laura) – updates provided.

3) Request from The Planning Commission

Discussed logistics and plan for the summer. We will have a longer in-person working session in June at the new Town Hall. Before the next meeting we will continue our assignments to research town plans and zoning.

4) Confirm next meeting dates

- a. Thursday, June 10th, 7:00pm
- b. Wednesday, June 23rd, 7:00pm
- c. Wednesday, July 7th, 7:00pm
- d. Thursday, July 22nd, 7:00pm
- e. Wednesday, August 4th, 7:00pm
- f. Wednesday, August 18th, 7:00pm

5) Review Minutes

Minutes were reviewed.

Adjournment

- a) Jaime moved to adjourn. John seconded. All were in favor (4-0-0). Adjourned at 8:38pm.

**Respectfully submitted,
Jaime Schulte
Clerk**