

**Town of Monkton
Conservation Commission
MEETING MINUTES
Thursday, June 10th, 2021 5:00pm
Zoom and Phone Meeting**

Members Present: Chelsea Smiley (Chair), Ann Johnston Miller (Vice-Chair), Jaime Schulte (Clerk), Caroline Alves

Members Absent: Kevin Lambert (Treasurer), Pam Tingiris, Prem Linskey

Guests Present: Laura Farrell (MCC advisor)

Chelsea called the meeting to order at 5:02pm.

Regular Business

- Review agenda
- Set Time/Date of Next Meetings
 - Thursday, July 8th, 2021 at 6:00pm
 - Monday, August 16th, 2021 at 6:00pm
- Approve Minutes
 - **Caroline moved to approve the minutes of May 13th, 2021 as written. Jaime seconded.** No additional discussion. **All were in favor (4-0-0).**

Updates

- Membership changes
 - The Conservation Commission regretfully accepted the resignation of Kevin Lambert and appreciates his service to the town, his energy and input, and his efforts as Treasurer. His extensive efforts around the Values Mapping project and related advertising particularly come to mind.
 - The Conservation Commission also accepts the resignation of Pam Tingiris.
- **Jaime nominated Chelsea to serve as Treasurer. Ann seconded.** Chelsea is willing serve. There was no additional discussion. **All were in favor (3-0-1), with Chelsea abstaining.**
- Location of future meetings
 - Will continue Zoom meetings for the foreseeable future, but will also look to have an in-person meeting/gathering in the near future.
- Environmental Notice Board (ENB) – no new updates

Morse Park Management Plan

- Brief discussion of Rec Committee Comments
- Chelsea to schedule time to review with the Rec Committee.

Recommendations for COVID relief funding

- Initial discussion was on climate resiliency infrastructure, such as riparian buffers, promotion of stormwater/flood resiliency (which saves future expense to taxpayers).

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- Discussed next steps to engage with the community on the outstanding resources Monkton has, how we are part of the larger picture in the region, the commission's process to-date, and to gather feedback on what the community values.
- Discussed collaboration with ANAC on gathering info on how other towns have approached this.

- Timeline: need to have info to the Planning Commission in September

Adjournment

- Jaime moved to adjourn. Ann seconded. All were in favor (3-0-0), with Caroline having just departed the meeting. Adjourned at 6:58pm.

Respectfully submitted,
Jaime Schulte
Clerk