

**Town of Monkton
Town Forest Committee
MEETING MINUTES
Monday, August 16th, 2022, at 7:00pm
Zoom/Phone Meeting
(Approved: September 16th, 2022)**

Members present: Jaime Schulte, Callie Brynn, John McNerney

Members absent: Pete Dufault

Guests: None

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

1. Review/approve minutes - 7/21
 - a. **John moved to approve the minutes of July 21st, 2022 as written. Jaime seconded. No additional discussion. All were in favor (3-0-0).**
2. Public Comment (not related to the agenda)
 - a. There was no public comment.
3. Review budget/funding
 - a. Worked on the timeline of the project, potential funding source application timeframes, etc.
4. Appraisal
 - a. Discussed that the next step is agreement on an appraiser and getting an appraisal underway. Callie is reaching out to the landowner to discuss the appraiser and sharing the cost of appraisal
 - b. We have a few options to cover our share of the appraisal costs.
5. Update ARPA proposal with project scorecard
 - a. Worked on the proposal to the Selectboard for an allocation of ARPA funds toward a town forest. Community contribution and support toward a project is necessary to attract funders and is very likely necessary to complete a workable budget.
6. Confirm time/date of next meeting: Sept 15th, 2022

Adjournment

Jaime moved to adjourn. All were in favor. Adjourned at 10:01pm.

Minutes taken by Jaime Schulte.