## **Monkton Planning Commission Minutes**

January 3, 2023

Approved : \_\_\_\_01/17/2023

Present: Gayle Grim, Marilyn Cargill(co-chair) Ivor Hughes, Peter Close, Wendy Sue Harper(co-chair), Lee Mahony, Gary Strait

Absent: None Visitors: Stephen Pilcher Mail: None

The meeting was called to order by Marilyn Cargill @ 7:01pm.

Minutes: The minutes of the 12/06/2022 were moved by Lee Mahony and seconded by Ivor Hughes. The minutes were accepted as amended.

**UPD-** Stephen Pilcher, a member of the Select Board, presented the Select Board changes to the proposed UPD that were sent to the Select Board in May 2022. The Select Board has scheduled a Hearing on these changes on January 24, 2023.

- UPD formatting was fixed
- Affordable Housing, Wildlife Corridor, Affordable Housing, and the Ridgeline Overlay District definitions were changed.
- Sections 503 (ADUs), 584A(noise standards), 595 (Erosion Control) and Section 596 (Storm Water Management) were changed.

The MPC will respond to the Select Board in writing stating that we do not have objections to moving forward. Gayle Grim will draft an email to the Select Board.

We expressed our thanks to Stephen Pilcher for his formatting work on the UPD.

Addison County Regional Planning assisted us in updating the census information in the kellow Town Plan with more recent data. We are asking for clarity on a couple of maps.

**Annual Report** – Wendy Sue Harper has prepared the annual report for the Monkton Planning Commission. It has been submitted to the Town Clerk for publication.

Ivor Hughes

Housing Sub-Committee- Stephann Ridghex noted that Jericho and Westford have made efforts to develop town water systems with varying success. The Monkton town administrator, Stan Wilbur, is a good resource for this sub-committee.

**Forest Integrity**- Ivor Hughes said that the next meeting will be in February. The mapping project is in process.

**Next Steps-** Refine the vision for the town's future and prioritize Town Plan action items.

**Future Meetings:** The temporary measure allowing fully remote meetings expires on January 15, 2023. Gayle Grim said that she cannot be in physical attendance with regularity. Several

other members of the MPC also stated that physical attendance is difficult at best. We agreed to investigate other options such as having a designee run the meeting at the town hall.

## **Updates:**

Ivor Hughes has been reading a book on *Conservation Design for Subdivisions,* that may provide valuable and/or creative ideas in Subdivision design.

Gayle Grim made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Gary Strait seconded the motion. The motion was approved. Meeting was adjourned at 8:52PM

The next meeting is scheduled on January 17, 2023

These minutes are submitted by Gayle C Grim- Monkton Planning Commission-Clerk.