

Monkton Agricultural & Natural Areas Committee

DRAFT MEETING MINUTES

Wednesday, 22nd March 2023

6:30 pm

Virtual meeting via Zoom

(Approved: TBD)

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

Members Absent: Susan Mahony (Vice Chair), Whitney Leighton (on leave)

Guests: Steve Parren (Monkton resident)

The meeting lacked a quorum at 6:30. Laura and Jaime discussed the committee and related topics with Steve Parren, who is asking the Selectboard to appoint him to an alternate position on ANAC. Jaime and Laura advised Steve that if he would like to join ANAC he can contact the Selectboard via email.

At 8:10pm John Mejia was able to join briefly and Laura called the meeting to order.

We decided to postpone all of the scheduled agenda except for two items:

1) Town Forest progress

- a) Prior to the meeting a draft letter of support for the Town Forest project was shared with the committee. John had already reviewed it, as had Jaime and Laura.
- b) **John moved to authorize Laura to complete, sign, and send the letter of support for the Town Forest project from ANAC. Jaime seconded.** There was no further discussion. **All were in favor (3-0-0).**

2) Raven Ridge

- a) Laura provided a brief update for John on issues reported at Raven Ridge.
- b) **John moved to authorize Laura and Jaime to contact The Nature Conservancy regarding people and their dogs trespassing on the area of Raven Ridge that is closed due to bobcat denning. Jaime seconded.** There was no further discussion. **All were in favor (3-0-0).**

Adjournment

Jaime moved to adjourn. All were in favor (3-0-0). Adjourned at 8:20. John departed the meeting.

Respectfully submitted,
Jaime Schulte, Clerk