

Town of Monkton Conservation Commission

MEETING MINUTES

Wednesday, April 24th 2024

7:00pm Meeting at Town Hall and via Zoom/Phone

(Approved: TBD)

Members Present: Ann Johnston Miller (Chair), Nancy Wilson (Vice Chair), Debra Sprague (Treasurer), Janet Schwarz, Sue Stasny, Jaime Schulte (Clerk)

Members Absent: None

Guests Present: None

Call to Order - Ann called the meeting to order at 7:02pm

1) Regular Business

- a) Reviewed Agenda – no changes
- b) Jaime moved to accept the minutes from March 27th as amended. Debra seconded. Passed (5-0-0).
- c) Next meeting will be May 16th, 7:00pm. After that we will begin meeting on the third Tuesday of each month, beginning June 18th, also at 7:00pm.

2) Old Business

- a) Natural Resource Inventory maps for Town Plan - Jaime provided an update that the Planning Commission has finished that process and is moving toward the initial hearing on the updated Town Plan.
- b) Morse Park Management Plan updates - the Recreation committee provided another draft and the subcommittees of each have scheduled to meet again on April 25th. Reviewed the Rec Committee draft in the meeting and agreed as a full committee on the key points of our feedback on the draft for the subcommittee meeting tomorrow.
- c) Town Forest update – Jaime gave an update on progress, timeline, and fundraising. Overall the project is in very good shape and moving toward a closing in the second half of the year. The management plan for the land is one of the next stages of the project and will involve robust community input over the summer.

3) New Business

- a) Lewis Creek Association (LCA) presentation on water quality/landowners guidance manual will be at Monkton Town Hall in-person on May 2nd. MCC will be helping advertise it to the community.
- b) Buckthorn session dates - we have a first session on Saturday, May 4th, 1-3pm at Monkton Central School. Rain date of Sunday, May 5th at the same time.
- c) Bird walk info - will communicate this to the community for May 25th. Will advertise and share it with VT Coverts.

Adjournment - Debra moved to adjourn. All were in favor (5-0-0). Adjourned at 8:36pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Jaime Schulte