

Town of Monkton
Town Forest Committee
MEETING MINUTES
Wednesday, September 23rd, 2024, 5:00pm
Virtual meeting via Zoom only
(Approved: TBD)

Members present: Callie Brynn (Chair), Jaime Schulte (Vice-Chair), John McNerney, Molly Parren, Jessica Demeritt, Pete Dufault, CJ Buzzy

Members absent: None

Guests: Bob Heiser (Vermont Land Trust)

Call To Order - Jaime called the meeting to order at 5:03pm

- Review Agenda - no new items; changed the order of agenda items
- Public Comment, up to 10 minutes - None offered.
- Review Minutes 9/11, 9/14 & 9/19
 - **Molly moved the minutes of 9/11/2024 as written. Pete seconded. So moved (5-0-0).** Callie and John had not yet joined the meeting.
 - **Pete moved the minutes of 9/14/2024 as written. Jaime seconded. So moved (5-0-0).** Callie and John had not yet joined the meeting.
 - **Molly moved the minutes of 9/19/2024 as written. Jessica seconded. So moved (5-0-0).** Callie and John had not yet joined the meeting.
- Follow-up UVM fieldwork Fall 2024
 - Molly and Callie met today with the field naturalist students who are extending work done by the UVM group last spring with a couple of field days and some analysis. They may focus on the potential area(s) of old growth red pine and hemlock, after obtaining permission.
- Long-term management plan
 - Callie joined the meeting at 5:13 at the start of this topic.
 - Workshop recap 9/19/24 - it was great to see the range of thoughts on the land; we will take the themes from the workshop, survey, etc., to inform follow-up meetings.
 - Reviewed the community outreach survey results to-date and considered what it might tell us about special topic meetings.
 - Identify topics and schedule for focus groups
 - John joined the meeting at 5:40 during this discussion.
 - We mapped out a series of meetings and will get that published for the community.
 - Recycling Center 9/28/24 - Jaime will run a table at Recycling

- Other Updates & Project Timeline
 - Review project timeline, action items for closing
 - Discussed preparation for the Selectboard meeting on 9/24.
- Set next meetings (6:10pm)
 - Recycling Center table on 9/28 9:00am-12:00pm
 - Regular meeting: Wednesday, Oct. 16th, 6:30pm

Adjournment: John moved to adjourn. All were in favor (6-0-0). Adjourned at 8:38pm.

Minutes taken by Jaime Schulte.