

**Town of Monkton**  
**Town Forest Committee**  
**MEETING MINUTES**  
**Sunday, October 13th, 2024**  
**1:00-3:00pm, in-person and on Zoom/Phone at Town Hall**  
(Approved: TBD)

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

**Members absent:** CJ Buzzy

**Guests:** Peter Close, Debbie Houghton, Tammy Parker, Stephen Pilcher, Lisa Boeckman, Robin Hopps, Debra Sprague, Deb Gaynor, Kim Frigault (on Zoom).

**Purpose:** to discuss animals with regard to the Town Forest Management Plan process, particularly horses and dogs.

The session began at 1:00 with cider and donuts, name tags, etc.

There was a short overview of the status and timeline of the project. We went around the room for brief introductions. The group then circulated around to tables/easels to consider themes:

Dogs: Conflict with wildlife

Dogs/Horses: Waste pickup

Dogs/Horses: Safety (hunting/trapping, other activities)

Dogs: Fear (people, reactive dogs, horses)

Horses: Trail conditions (mud, erosion, compaction) and spread of invasive species

Horses: Parking

Participants wrote on the easel sheets and we reviewed them as a group. The committee will consolidate the notes and sent them to participants who left an email address.

The meeting concluded at approximately 3:05pm.

Minutes taken by Jaime Schulte.