

Town of Monkton  
Conservation Commission  
MEETING MINUTES  
Thursday, March 13, 2025

6:30pm Meeting via Zoom

(Approved: TBD)

Members Present: Ann Johnston Miller (Co-Chair), Sue Stasny (Co-Chair), Debra Sprague (Treasurer), David Moore.

Members Absent: Janet Schwarz, Jaime Schulte,

Guests Present: None

Call to Order - Ann called the meeting to order at 6:33 pm. Sue took the minutes tonight.

1. Regular Business
  - a. Review Agenda - no changes made
  - b. Public Comment - none offered
  - c. Review meeting minutes of February 13, 2025
    - i. Debra moved to approve the minutes of February 13, 2025, as written.
    - ii. Ann seconded. Passed (4-0-0).
  - d. Regular meeting: April 10, 2025 @ 6:30pm via Zoom
2. Other business
  - a. Plan Forest Walk w/Brandon in the Town Forest to learn about invasive plant species
    - i. Propose several dates to Brandon to find a mutually convenient date
  - b. Update on Snowmobiling response by Sue to S Pilcher
    - i. Will remind SB in November 2025
  - c. Update on MCC Brochure mailing
    - i. Some taken at Town Meeting
    - ii. Sue to follow up with Sharon again on getting a list of newly registered voters
  - d. Bike/Ped loop around Cedar Pond
  - e. Amphibian crossing maintenance plans:
    - i. Balance of funds as indicated in the Town Report
      1. Ann will reach out to Chris Sleasar at VTrans about the game cams
    - ii. Request to VTrans for concrete maintenance & repair
      1. Ask Chris Sleasar whether VTrans do this maintenance or is it up to the Town?
    - iii. Schedule for
      1. Inspection
      2. Plant & slate maintenance
        - a. Resume slate maintenance after the spring migration is completed – Ask Steve Parren for advice.
        - b. Parsnip in May/June
  - f. VT Atlas of Life: Butterfly Atlas

- i. Partner with Pollinator Pathways for a training session for the community in the springtime
    - 1. Debra will reach out and let Pollinator Pathway folks know we'd like them to come to town
  - g. Review PDF of The Bobolink Project application
    - i. Notes taken, Sue will clean it up and send it to The Bobolink Project
    - ii. We're not seeking funding from the project since there isn't any revenue to replace, but we would like signs that name the field and hopefully the nesting season info
- 3. Members' other topics, interests, or concerns
  - i. Jennifer in Bristol wrote about a rodenticide presentation; Debra will contact Jennifer about partnering to present
  - ii. Bird house building idea – kestrel boxes?
  - iii. Set a schedule to advertise for invasives removal
- 4. Ann made the motion to adjourn, and Debra seconded. Meeting Adjourned at 7:47pm.

Respectfully submitted,  
Sue Stasny