Town of Monkton Town Forest Committee

MEETING MINUTES

Wednesday, March 5th, 2025, 6:30pm Monkton Town Hall & via Zoom

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

Callie called the meeting to order at 6:31pm.

- Reviewed Agenda
- Public Comment (up to 10 minutes) none offered
- Review Minutes 2/19/25
 - Jessica moved the minutes of February 19th, 2025 as written. Molly seconded. So moved (6-0-0).
- Interim Management Plan
 - o Parking for mud-season, trails, other
 - John to check on a load of gravel for the entrance/parking at Old Airport Rd.
 - Trapping request discussed and approved the request
- Long-Term management plan
 - Reviewed draft w/Vermont Land Trust (VLT)'s & the Community Forest Program's initial/informal comments. Resolved some open questions and received clarifications from VLT. CJ to further consolidate the section on hunting. Callie, Jaime, and Molly will continue resolving open items based on the discussion tonight.
 - Community review:
 - We will post a draft of the management plan for the public by mid-month in advance of community sessions.
 - Community sessions are scheduled: 3/19 7pm & 3/22 10am

 Callie, Jessica, & Molly to work on content for the community review. Callie to make a FPF post.

Other Updates:

- Town Meeting Day recap
- Vermont Town Forest Project (Town Forest Census)
- Federal Grant requirements all documentation provided, except the final management plan
- Kenyon purchase approved by the Selectboard previously. Request is with the Treasurer.
- OAR Maintenance Selectboard signed the Road Maintenance Agreement, with signature good for one year. It will take effect if it collects the needed signatures from residents.
- Community Celebration Spring TBD postponed to next meeting
- Grants/fundraising committee postponed to next meeting
- Set next meeting date(s):
 - o Regular Meeting: Wednesday, April 2nd, 6:30pm
 - Community Meeting on the Management Plan, Wednesday, March 19th, 7:00pm.
 - Community Meeting on the Management Plan, Saturday, March 22nd, 10:00am.

Jessica moved to adjourn at 9:01pm. So moved 6-0-0.