

Town of Monkton Town Forest Committee

P.O. Box 12 Monkton, VT. 05469-0012

Meeting Minutes

December 02, 2021, 7:00 pm

Attending: Mark Boltz-Robinson, Jaime Schulte, Callie Brynn; John McNerney, Peter

Dufault

Absent: None

Guests: David Dufault

- 1. Call to order at 7:05 pm
- 2. Community Input Events
 - a. Committee agreed that there weren't further edits to the spreadsheet at this time; Jaime to send the committee the updated copy with the edits from that prior meeting.

3. Funding

- a. Callie brought up an opportunity for VHCB (Vermont Housing and Conservation Board; https://www.vhcb.org) funding.
- b. VHCB has some funds available for a conservation project and would like to discuss whether the Monkton Town Forest might be a fit for the opportunity.
- c. After some discussion the committee agreed best may be to invite them to the January 20th meeting of the committee; a Zoom invite could be extended to reduce travel burdens.
- d. Callie agreed to take up an action item to follow up with them and extend the invite on behalf of the committee.

4. Parcels of Interest

- a. John noted he was still attempting to reach out and secure a time for a physical meeting to discuss possibilities.
- b. John asked the committee about the commitment level should next steps manifest, as we would need to begin discussions with Vermont Land Trust and other groups that could help us with the project. Callie also suggested reaching out to Middlebury Area Land Trust to see if there was an opportunity to work with them also.
- c. The committee agreed with unanimous consent that it was an opportunity to pursue, and were prepared to seriously move forward with the option.

5. Meeting Minutes

- a. After review, John McNerney moved to approve the minutes of October 2020, as written; the motion seconded by Jaime. Unanimous approval.
- b. After review, Jaime moved to approve the minutes of November 2020, as amended; the motion seconded by John. Unanimous approval.

- c. Mark noted that there was a gap until May 2021 in his notes. Others encouraged to review if they had notes to contribute for minutes. There were also several meetings that were cancelled in that timeframe for various reasons.
- d. After review, John moved to approve the minutes of May 2021; Jaime seconded the motion. Unanimous approval.
- e. After review, Jaime moved to approve the minutes of June 2021; John seconded the motion. David Dufault noted that the item numbering was off by one; the committee unanimously approved with the correct numbering.
- f. After review, John moved to approve the minutes of July 15, 2021; Jaime seconded the motion. The minutes were unanimously approved.
- g. Jaime noted that he had notes from the August 05, 2021 meeting, from which Mark was absent. He would provide those minutes to the committee by the January meeting for review and approval.
- h. After review, Peter moved to approve the minutes of August 19, 2021; seconded by Callie. David Dufault noted a typo in the wording "areal map" (should be aerial). The committee unanimously approved with the spelling correction.

6. Adjournment.

a. Jaime moved to adjourn; Peter seconded. The committee unanimously agreed to adjourn at 07:56 pm.