

Monkton ANAC

Agenda

26 May 2021

7 pm

Zoom and Phone info:

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Members: Laura Farrell (Chair), Susan Mahony (Vice Chair), Jaime Schulte (Clerk), John Mejia (Digital Czar), Whitney Leighton, Sam Burr (Alternate)

- 1) Call the meeting to order (7:00)
- 2) Approve minutes of 5 May meeting uploaded to this link (7:02 – 7:06)
<http://monktonvt.com/boards-and-committees/anac/anac-minutes/>
- 3) Updates : 1-2 minutes each (7:06-7:20)
 - a. Covid assistance progress - AARPA (anyone with info)
 - b. Potential project 2021A inquiry (Jaime)
 - c. Town Forest progress (Jaimie)
 - d. Document storage space (Jaime)
 - e. Raven Ridge (Whitney)
 - f. Field Naturalist (Laura)
 - g. Potential project 2019A (Laura) – site visit?
- 4) Request from The Planning Commission (7:20 – 8:20)
 - a. working doc to place things in for review – spreadsheet would be easier?
 - b. incorporate towns covered, Field Naturalist reports, Act 171 Guidance doc recommendations. Anything else?
 - c. list of headings
 - d. recommended language
 - e. ANAC wording supports CC maps and Field Naturalist locations, or have own maps?
 - f. What will final recommendations look like? Headers and phrasing? Other ideas?

Input for revisions to Monkton's Unified Planning Document (zoning regulations) by **September 1, 2021** to incorporate into another round of updates later in 2021. We can contribute recommendations for improved zoning and subdivision regulations, and to support Act 171. *Please review the links in b. and c. below prior to the meeting, if at all possible, so we can have a robust discussion.*

- a. Review working guide – 23May21 draft
- b. Need to account for:
 - the Pond Brook Management Area
 - wetland complex extending from Rotax Rd/Raven Ridge
 - improve reference maps for different layers
 - soil types

- habitat connectivity, and
- c. Need to consider how the UPD could better reflect the Town Plan on these topics
- d. Include the pressure that Monkton is facing in the near term, and that ANAC is concerned that there will be significant development before ecological concerns are addressed properly (see article below):

<https://www.sevendaysvt.com/vermont/the-new-vermonters-fleeing-covid-19-newcomers-find-temporary-or-permanent-refuge-in-the-green-mountains/Content?oid=31176261>

c. We have ~2 months to *CONSIDER* and *FINALIZE* recommendations.

d. Samples of how to word Zoning Regs. Check out Appendix B on p 36:

<https://anr.vermont.gov/sites/anr/files/co/planning/documents/guidance/Act171Guidance.pdf>

e. We are collaborating with the Conservation Commission who is drafting an Act 171 map and related maps, and reviewing language as well. (Jaime, Laura)

5) Other business (8:20 – 8:25)

6) Confirm dates and locations/zoom - all @ 7pm (8:25-8:27)

- a. Thursday, June 10th, 7:00pm
- b. Wednesday, June 23rd, 7:00pm
- c. Wednesday, July 7th, 7:00pm
- d. Thursday, July 22nd, 7:00pm
- e. Wednesday, August 4th, 7:00pm
- f. Wednesday, August 18th, 7:00pm

7) Review Minutes (8:27 – 8:29)

8) Adjourn