

**Town of Monkton**  
**Town Forest Committee**  
**MEETING MINUTES**  
**Wednesday, May 8th, 2024**  
**3:00-5:00pm, in-person only at the future Town Forest parcel &**  
**7:00-8:30, in-person and on Zoom/Phone at Town Hall**  
(Approved: July 29th, 2024)

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

**Members absent:** Pete Dufault, CJ Buzzy

**Guests: UVM:** Walter Poleman, Veronica Wagner, Alyssa Van Doorn, Lucy Gross, Maura Muldoon, Rachel Goland, Robert Langellier, Steve Root; **Vermont Land Trust:** Bob Heiser; **A. Johnson Co.:** Bill Sayre; **Community:** Jessica Demeritt, Sam Peisch, Ann Johnston Miller, Debra Sprague, Lauren Parren, Steven Parren, Laura Farrell, David Brynn, Sam Ford, Ivor Hughes, Buzz Kuhns, Ken Wolpin, Marilyn Cargill, and approximately 17 additional members of the larger community at either the walk or presentation or both, and several online, whose names may not have been captured.

There was not a formal call to order at the future Monkton Town Forest site or the UVM presentation at Town Hall, as the focus and agenda was driven by the group from UVM and no other committee business took place.

Seven graduate students in the UVM Landscape Inventory & Assessment Course lead a forest walk from 3:00pm – 5:00pm, at the future Monkton Town Forest property, beginning at the log landing on Old Airport Rd., and moving to the portion of the property on the east side of Hardscrabble Rd (at approximately 1554 Hardscrabble Rd.).

In-between events the committee set up at Town Hall and provided pizza and such for the UVM group and committee members (provided via personal expense by members).

An evening presentation followed from 7:00pm – 8:30pm at Town Hall and on Zoom about the work and findings of the UVM class through the spring semester as they delved into human history, characteristics of the landscape, and plants and wildlife found on the land.

The presentation was recorded on Zoom and posted to the Town Forest Committee page on the Monkton website.

The presentation concluded at approximately 8:30pm.

Minutes taken by Jaime Schulte.