

**Town of Monkton
Conservation Commission
MEETING MINUTES
Thursday, January 9, 2025**

6:30 pm Meeting via Zoom

(Approved: TBD)

Members Present: Ann Johnston Miller (Co-Chair), Sue Stasny (Co-Chair), Debra Sprague (Treasurer), Janet Schwarz, Jaime Schulte, David Morse

Members Absent: None

Guests Present: None

Call to Order - Ann called the meeting to order at 6:32 pm. Jan took the minutes tonight.

1. Regular Business

- a. Review Agenda - no changes made
- b. Public Comment - none offered
- c. Review meeting minutes of 12/12/24
 - i. Jaime moved to approve the minutes of 12/12/2024 as amended. Debra seconded. Motion passed (4-0-2 Ann and David abstained - not present at 12/12/24 mtg).
- d. Regular meeting: Thursday, 2/13/2025 @ 6:30 pm via Zoom
- e. Regular meeting: Thursday, 3/13/2025 @ 6:30 pm via Zoom

2. Other Business

- a. Residents Brochure – Sue received the printed Brochures and will take some over to the Monkton Town Hall and leave some also at the Library; brochures will be available on the MCC table at the Monkton Town Meeting.
- b. Morse Park Management Plan - MRC said that there were no actionable public comments. They want to add a signature page. MCC gave the OK. MRC sent the Management Plan to the Selectboard.
- c. AVCC Survey
 - i. MCC received an email from AVCC (via Debra) with survey. The MCC discussed the questions, and Debra Sprague will send the completed survey back to AVCC
 - ii. Debra reminded MCC about the *Vermont Conservation Commission Handbook* <https://vtconservation.com/handbook>
- d. Rodenticide Use –
 - i. Debra will work this summer on Town Education opportunities. Perhaps a presentation in early fall
- e. Other member topics/concerns/interests
 - i. Invasive species - Discussion about MCC currently only focusing on plants. David suggested that the MCC come up with a management plan, Discussion on the invasive species in Monkton, Community education and community engagement opportunities; Goals, Targets, Visions for

2025, but not necessarily timelines. Educate people how to manage invasives on their own land.

- ii. Invasive insects
- iii. UVM - Ginger Nickerson -Sue will contact her about possible talk about forest pests

3. Adjournment - Jan moved to adjourn. All were in favor (6-0-0). Adjourned at 8:02 pm.

Respectfully submitted,
Janet Schwarz