

Monkton Agricultural and Natural Area Committee Meeting—Minutes for 12/11/2013

In Attendance

Members: Laura Farrell (by phone), Sam Burr, Caitlin Cusack, Rachel Shattman, Deb Gaynor

Absent:

Guests:

1. Laura called the meeting to order at 7:50 pm.
2. Sam moved and Rachel seconded that we accept the minutes from 11/6/13. We voted unanimously to accept the minutes.
3. We discussed what testimonials we have in hand; Deb read the one from Dorothy Muzzy, and we agreed that we need nothing else; it is very moving.
4. Sam investigated the Claflin option, and can find no record in the land records. We need to contact Al Karnatz about this; Laura will follow up on this.
5. Laura thanked Caitlin on behalf of ANAC for her outstanding service and contributions, and noted how much we will miss her. We all seconded those thanks.
6. Outreach campaign status:
 - a. We agreed that using a Town Fair for our info meeting with everyone else is a great idea
 - b. Other committees are already on board (Planning Commission, Recreation Committee, maybe a Candidates Forum).
 - c. Rachel volunteered to be our lead organizer.
 - d. In January we will discuss whether we should have a table in the hallway with information available during Town Meeting.
 - e. Sam will write a testimonial about their farm.
 - f. Sam will contact Clark for a testimonial.
 - g. Caitlin collected some information from the VLT website, and is getting permission from them (Sharon) to use their materials. She also got a testimonial and photo from TNC regarding Raven Ridge.
7. Rachel contacted Robert Turner, but has not had a conversation yet. Laura will poll other Conservation Commission. Laura noted that February is coming right up, and we need to set a date, possibly shortly after Town Meeting.
8. Next meeting will be Jan. 8 at 7 pm. Deb will fix the calendar on the website.
9. Sam moved and Caitlin seconded that we adjourn; we unanimously adjourned at 8:25 pm.

Respectfully submitted on 12/11/2013,

Deb Gaynor, for Caitlin Cusack,
ANAC Secretary