Town of Monkton
Conservation Commission
Minutes

Tuesday, 11/10/26 - 6:30 PM
Virtual meeting via zoom

Approved: TBD

Zoom link:
https://us02web.zoom.us/j/8024533800?pwd=QnlTb20weWwxTEhuSmZ2RENyR3ZzUT09
Alternatives to the link: go to zoom.us on a web browser (or open your Zoom app) and select Join Meeting or if joining by phone call (646)558-8656. Enter the meeting ID: 802 453 3800 and passcode 1762.

Members Present: Jaime Schulte, Ann Miller, Janet Schwarz, Sue Stasny, David Moore, Chuck Soule
Members Absent: Debra Sprague
Guests: None

1. Ann called the meeting to order@ 6:34 pm
2. Public comments
3. Regular Business
    a. Reviewed the Agenda. Add LCA funding
    b. Reviewed minutes of 10/10/26 meeting.
    c. Ann made a motion to accept minutes as amended. Jaime seconded. Passed 6-0-0
    d. December meeting - 12/8/26 at 6:30pm
    e. January meeting - 1/12/27 at 6:30pm
4. Other Business
    a. Pond Brook Management Plan - updates
        i. Subcommittee meeting planned for 11/12/26 at 11:30am via Zoom

    b. Amphibian Crossing
        i. Cameras update
            1. Laura Farrell will ask Chris Slesar to change batteries
        ii. Conserving habitat adjacent to crossing followup
            1. Jens Hilke has set up a meeting (12/1/27 at 2:00pm via MS-Teams with interested parties
        iii. Mason search to evaluate repair of wall
            1. Chuck called Ian from Sutton Masonry who “looked at” the tunnels and said that he would get back to Chuck regarding solutions and possibly give an estimate to repair the eroding blocks.

iv. Wall cleanup - MCC members, plus Steve Parren, and Adam Miller worked on both tunnels on Saturday, 11/7/26 from 9:30am - 12:30pm

c. DRB/MPC - Google Doc form update.
   i. Sub-committee worked on the UPD sections where the MCC needs to provide input. Next sub-committee meeting on 11/17/26.

d. Community Radio - subcommittee update
   i. Firesidecommunitymedia.org (WVVT)
   ii. Three New Haven Conservation Commission programs now streaming on WVVT.
   iii. Marianne Eaton- N.H. Conservation Commission sent their speaker series schedule for January and February 2027

e. VT Fish and Wildlife grant for recreation and land acquisition
   i. MCC not pursuing at this time.

f. LCA request for $550 donation for 2027.
   i. Jan made a motion to have Ann send a note to the Monkton Selectboard in support of the $550 request. Chuck seconded. Motion passed 6-0-0

g. Budget discussion - Request for $750 (level funding).
   i. Library of Things - tools such as UpRooters and Parsnip Predators
   ii. Plans to construct Bat Houses, or buy completed ones.
   iii. AVCC Membership
   iv. Debra will send the request to Monkton Selectboard and Stan Wilbur, Monkton Town Administrator.

5. Sue made the motion to adjourn at 7:35pm. Chuck seconded. Passed (6-0-0).

Respectfully Submitted,
Janet Schwarz