Members Present: Jessica Lamothe, Chair; Lynn Atkinson; Francie Caudill; Carolyn Kelly; Patti Mitchell; Joan Nesbit
Absent: Michele Kulick
Also Present: Helen Bethell; Perry Hallinan

Chair Lamothe opened the meeting. The minutes of March 18, 2019 were approved.

Current Business

This evening’s meeting was entirely devoted to discussing narration and filming details for the Sawmill Brook Video Project, as funding was approved at the April 1st Town Meeting.

The filmmaker Perry Hallinan was present, and made suggestions for additional information and archival photos we should try to find. Jessica will contact Geof Day to coordinate his fish research project with on-site video, to add to our film. We discussed locations for ground-level photography and video that could be added to the existing drone footage.

Perry requested that we come up with “bullet points” for narration to accompany the visual survey of sections of the watershed, from its source to the harbor. He would like that text by April 23; Jessica will gather suggestions from the committee and create a refined draft. Francie will work with the Manchester Historical Museum to find and scan appropriate photos to accompany narration of the brook’s history. Perry hopes to complete ground-level filming in early May. He gave us his ideas for the sequence of the film, which may end with a look ahead to our Town’s future challenges and responses to climate change. All present approved of the plans.

Next meeting: Monday, May 13, at 7:15 p.m.

Minutes submitted by Francie Caudill