## WOODLANDS PARTNERSHIP of NORTHWEST MASSACHUSETTS

A Mission of Natural Resource Based Economic Development, Forest Conservation, & Municipal Financial Sustainability

## **MEETING NOTICE**

The Executive Committee
of the Woodlands Partnership of Northwest Massachusetts
(established as Mohawk Trail Woodlands Partnership)\*
will meet on Tuesday September 24, 2024 at 4:00-5:30 p.m.

This is a virtual meeting. Members of the public are welcome to attend. Please RSVP to Kate Conlin to request a Zoom link at any time: <a href="mailto:kconlin@newenglandforestry.org">kconlin@newenglandforestry.org</a>.

## **Agenda**

- 1. Call to order and welcome
- 2. Approval of December 11, 2023 minutes (August 1, 2024 meeting postponed due to quorum)
- 3. Establishment of a public comment protocol (see DCR Stewardship Council for an example) and consideration of hosting listening sessions
- 4. How do we address misconceptions and inaccuracies in anti-forestry petitions as they pertain to the Partnership?
- 5. Executive Committee Treasurer vacancy; vacant UMass Board seat (faculty member specializing in ecosystem functions, carbon cycling in terrestrial systems and climate change as it relates to forests)
- 6. National Heritage Area designation—FRCOG and BRPC proposal
- 7. Committee-proposed work: Farmers' market pilot program with Woodcraft Collaborative (NRBED); videography and content creation (EOR)
- 8. Agent update: Sen. Markey meeting regarding federal designation; IRA USFS underserved landowner/emerging markets grant application; Catalyst Fund awarded; Collins Center municipal services study (EEA grant); Notch Reservoir; upcoming and recent events; venue search for November Board meeting; how to address update to Ten-Year Plan
- 9. Scheduling next Committee meeting(s)
- 10. Any item(s) not anticipated within 48 hours
- 11. Public comment
- 12. Adjourn

Posted at 9:00 PM on Sunday, September 22, 2024 by Paul McLatchy III, Town Clerk