

WOODLANDS PARTNERSHIP of NORTHWEST MASSACHUSETTS

Forest-Based Economic Development and Conservation

MEETING NOTICE

There will be a meeting of the
Executive Committee of the
Woodlands Partnership of Northwest Massachusetts
(formerly Mohawk Trail Woodlands Partnership)*
on January 17, 2023 at 2:00 – 3:30 p.m.

This will be a **Virtual Meeting** as allowed by “An Act Relative to Extending Certain State of Emergency Accommodations,” signed into law by Massachusetts Gov. Charlie Baker on July 16, 2022, which extends the expiration of the provisions pertaining to the Open Meeting Law, G.L. c.30 sec. 20, to March 31, 2023.

Members of the public are welcome. Please RSVP to Sophie Argetsinger to request a Zoom link to attend by emailing: sargetsinger@newenglandforestry.org

Agenda

1. Call to order, welcome, and Land Acknowledgement
2. Approval of minutes from December 12, 2022 Executive Committee meeting
3. Status of Board Officers recruitment
4. Funding updates: success for “Action on Forest Climate Resilience”
5. Legislative discussions on formalizing Partnership name change
6. Selection of Partnership website design consultant – next steps on Virtual Forest Center
7. Jan. 31 Board meeting via Zoom – agenda topics & speakers
8. Outreach Committee-hosted webinars: Jan. 25 – Climate Change and Forest Management 101; and Feb. 2 – Waste or Resource?: A Panel Discussion on Wood Residue
9. Any item(s) not anticipated within 48 hours
10. Public comment

Executive Committee members: Henry Art – Williamstown (Board Chair); Rick Chandler – Ashfield (Board Vice Chair); Alain Peteroy – Franklin Land Trust (Clerk); Keith Ross – MA Society of American Foresters (Treasurer); Robert O’Connor – MA EOEEA; Kate Lindroos Conlin – MA Forest Alliance; Constance Carpenter (USFS ex-officio)

*On Oct. 11, 2022, the Board of the public body created in 2018 voted unanimously to change its name from the “Mohawk Trail Woodlands Partnership” in its bylaws to Doing Business As the “Woodlands Partnership of Northwest Massachusetts” and requested the state legislature and USDA Forest Service to officially establish and recognize the new name.