MOHAWK TRAIL WOODLANDS PARTNERSHIP

Forest-Based Economic Development and Conservation

MEETING NOTICE

There will be a meeting of the NATURAL RESOURCE-BASED ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT - STANDING COMMITTEE

Mohawk Trail Woodlands Partnership

on August 24, 2021 at 3:30 – 5:00 p.m.

This will be a **Virtual Meeting** as allowed by "An Act Extending Certain COVID-19 Measures Adopted During the State of Emergency," signed into law by Massachusetts Gov. Charlie Baker on June 16, 2021 extending until April 1, 2022 remote meeting provisions of the Open Meeting Law, G.L. c.30 sec.20.

To join the meeting via ZOOM, click:

https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84355975072?pwd=dTcvd3FmM3IFYUdLOExUQWYwU2RIQT09

Phone, dial: 16468769923,,84355975072# US Meeting ID: 843 5597 5072; Pass Code: 534449

Agenda

- 1. Welcome Call to order
- 2. Approve minutes from June 2 committee meeting
- Review approved Committee Mission statement as a reminder:
 To create jobs through economically viable and environmentally sound rural economic development, forestry, recreational and tourist-oriented projects and policies, thus strengthening our working landscapes and local economy.
- 4. Guest speaker: MTWP Board member Jay Healy of Charlemont: Lessons and Perspectives from the former Massachusetts Woodlands Cooperative, LLC (10-15 minutes)
- 5. Follow-up questions and discussion about the potential concept of a woodland owner or small business co-op or collaborative for MTWP (10 minutes)
- 6. Homework for next meeting to prepare for focused discussion: Review parts of the 2015 MTWP Plan, that are pertinent to the Committee, to provide guidance for Plan revision over next six months (public listening sessions TBD):
 - http://www.mohawktrailwoodlandspartnership.org/uploads/1/1/7/5/117522940/2015 mt wp plan to update committees.pdf

MA enabling legislation – can be found at this link: http://www.mohawktrailwoodlandspartnership.org/uploads/1/1/7/5/117522940/mtwp_final_legislation.pdf

- Schedule next committee meeting
- 8. Items not anticipated within 48 hours of agenda posting

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- 9. Public Comment
- 10. Adjournment