Notes from the Village #11

Building the trust network around your health data, one update at a time.

TrustMyOwn.Health 012 - From Ether to Filing Cabinet

Congratulations, Villagers — TrustMyOwn.Health took its first real step this week, from a bright idea floating in the ether to a business with a foundation under it. On Monday, September 14th, Marianne Hudgins, Tomas Moran, and I made it official: we signed our founding documents, wrote our Data Sovereignty Covenant into the foundation itself, and opened a bank account.

Next up: convening potential funders for our proof-of-concept phase, finalizing our product demo, and building out our administrative infrastructure — while still leaving room to experiment and have fun.

The demo will show the vault handling one or two common use cases. "Administrative infrastructure" means the unglamorous stuff — communication channels like this newsletter, a shared drive, calendar, contacts, project plans — done in a way that reflects our values rather than fights them.

Last week we talked about the kinds of funders we might approach, then hosted a call with some of you about fundraising. We'll hold the second call tomorrow. The headline takeaway: add charitable foundations to our list, alongside investors and purchasers.

As always, reply with your observations and suggestions.

Onward!

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