

**Plainfield Conservation Commission**  
**16 March, 2016**

**Present:** Sarah Albert, Becky Buchanan, Charlie Cogbill, Julie Hackbarth, Kate Harper, Mary Trerice **Absent:** Jan Waterman

**7:15 Convened**

**Minutes** of February 17, 2016 were approved.

**Susan Morse talk:** Charlie and Becky reported that there was good attendance and it was a good and worthwhile presentation.

**Tree Sale:** Sarah explained that help is needed on Friday, April 29. There are two shifts to fill. Commission members should contact her if they can help.

**Recreation Trails Grant:** Sarah is in touch with the granting agency and expects to hear mid-April.

**Town Forest:**

- Kate will notify the group regarding an erosion control workday.
- We discussed the creation of trails and feel that an informal, DIY approach should work on this parcel. Kate will contact Jan about reaching out to John Morton, of Morton Trails, who has a town connection. It would be appreciated if he has any interest in a walk through the forest and in giving some “pro-bono” advice—no pressure.
- We will plan a Spring Walk through the forest at the April meeting.

**Natural Communities forum April 4<sup>th</sup>:** 7 pm at the Town Hall and Opera House. There will be refreshments. Mary will pick up a gallon of cider and cold cups and napkins. Treats are welcome. Sarah and Kate and Mary will provide something.

- Kate will contact Brett to see what he needs for his presentation.
- Sarah will pick up the key from Linda.
- Set-up around 6:30 pm
- Mary and Kate are going to send out the thank you/invitations to participants.
- This needs to be announced in Front Porch Forum

**Green-up Day May 7:** Becky reported that TUS students will be involved again. She'll put out a call for help as the day evolves.

**Draft Zoning:** We had a rather lengthy discussion with no comment from the PCC at this point. Perhaps after the first hearing on the document we may have some input. Charlie and Sarah encouraged us to look more closely at Sec. 2.8 regarding flood hazard zoning issues.

**Becky reported** that her term had expired and she has already met with Town Clerk, Linda Wells to enter into a new term. We expressed our collective appreciation for her continued service with the PCC.

**Adjourned:** 9:10 pm **Next Meeting: April 20**

Respectfully submitted,  
Mary Trerice (Substituting for Jan Waterman)