

## Plainfield Conservation Commission Minutes February 17, 2021

(Meeting held via Zoom due to continued pandemic)

**Present:** Sarah Albert, Becky Atchinson, Rose Paul, Julie Hackbarth, Mary Trerice  
guest: Chase Ashley

**Minutes:** January minutes were approved.

**Update on Spruce Mountain Logging:** Chase had questions about the logging in the LR Jones State Forest. We do not have any responsibility there, but Sarah had been in contact with State Forester, Dan Singleton, and reported that trails will not be affected. Chase is interested in native plants and trees and wondered if an environmental assessment was done prior to logging. We suggested that he contact Dan and that he also check the Ecological Inventory on the PCC website.

**Election of PCC officers:** We will elect officers on March 17, our next meeting.

**Gonyeau Rd Update:** The selectboard discussed the road and our maintenance request at a meeting. Sarah represented the PCC. Mike Nolan will assess the condition of the road in the spring and make recommendations then. He said he has a stockpile of material that might be used there for a quick and cheap repair. We remain committed to keeping the town forest accessible to most.

**Talk:** Kristen Balschunat of the Winooski Natural Resources Conservation District will present a Zoom talk, Clean Water in Your Backyard. This is to coincide with the tree sale and will be cross-promoted by the three towns.

**Tree Sale:** The fliers have been printed and Cabot is joining in. Sarah will post to Front Porch Forum.

**Water Quality Planning:** We should look around the village before our next meeting to see if we get any ideas for a possible project. Rose has read the Storm Water Master Plan for Plainfield and will send the link to all of us.

**Adjourn:** 8:06 pm Respectfully submitted, Mary Trerice