

# Conservation Commission Meeting Minutes

August 15, 2018

**Present:** Sarah Albert, Charlie Cogbill, Julie Hackbarth, and Kim Sudol

Sarah convened the meeting at 7:30. Agenda reviewed.

Minutes: July minutes approved

EAB Task Force Update: Bram Towbin, Nicko Rubin, and Charlie Cogbill have been appointed to the EAB task force. The task force has not met yet.

Creating Tiered Map (with Monica): Monica Przyperhart offered to help create a 2-tier version of the the significant natural resources map. She will be in touch with Sarah/Kim soon to suggest next steps.

Marshfield CC pamphlet Printing: The Marshfield Conservation Commission is printing additional pamphlets for PCC. They do not have a digital version available for us to upload to the town website at this time. Becky said the cost of an acrylic pamphlet holder is \$7.79. There was a unanimous vote taken in favor of purchasing two pamphlet holders. One to be placed in the Cutler Memorial library and one at the Plainfield Co-op.

Dog Ordinance update: The PCC will discuss stronger language options for a sign in Mill Park to encourage dog owners to remove their dogs feces.

CVRPC Tactical Basin Plan: There is an informational meeting scheduled for the tri-towns of Cabot, Marshfield, and Plainfield on Monday, September 17, from 6-8 pm, at the Old Schoolhouse Common in Marshfield for the purpose of sharing information on the 2018 Draft Winooski River Tactical Basin Plan. PCC members and citizens are encouraged to attend.

Town Forest Trail Mowing: Whomever mows the town forest must be insured, therefore a few of the folks Sarah contacted were not eligible. She has reached out to Mike Nolan, who is interested and busy, but willing to look at the project.

Street Tree Outreach/Medallions: There is some conversation about cost associated with a medallion order and which trees would be tagged. The general consensus is that Sarah/Kim will first reach out to owners with street trees on their property to begin conversations about: how to best bring visibility to resources available for maintaining street trees and how the PCC can best support old/new street tree owners.

Miscellaneous: There was a commentator on Facebook/Plainfield People who suggested pruning back the trees at the Plainfield Rec field. There is some discussion and it is determined that the Plainfield Tree Warden, Nicko Rubin should be notified.

Meeting adjourned 8:19.

Next regular meeting Wednesday September 19, 7:15 p.m.

Submitted by Kim Sudol

In the absence of Jan Waterman, Secretary and co-chair