

JANUARY  
NO MEETING

FEBRUARY  
NO MEETING

MARCH

**Plainfield Conservation Commission**

PO Box 380  
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Attendees: David Grobe, Judy Ptak, Dave Taylor, Helen Koehler, Myra Ferguson

Minutes: March 12, 2015

- Volunteer for Minutes
- Approve minutes of the November 13, 2014 meeting (see below).
- Business
- MERIDEN BIRD CLUB David G. will contact Mary Boyle, Chair of Bird Club to determine the progress and decisions they have made.
- ADVERTISING: House Calls and Wildflower Walk (Taylors) will be advertised in PlainFacts and on town's website.
- KOEHLER TRAIL: Myra F. will do some research in the various files at Town Office to fill in the background of the Spencer Lot.
  - We will have a trail walk on the Lot Saturday, April 11 beginning at 9 am
    - Meet at Helen Koehler's house on Stage Road next to Singing Hills.
  - After looking at maps and results of the research at the 4/9 (Thursday) meeting, we will determine what we want to find/mark on the Saturday, April 11 excursion the the Spencer Lot: Self-Guiding Trail, boundary markers, or something else

Respectfully submitted,

Myra Ferguson

APRIL

PLAINFIELD CONSERVATION COMMISSION

MINUTES OF MEETING HELD APRIL 9, 2015

Members Present: David Grobe, Helen Koehler (alt.), Judy Ptak, Bill Knight, David Taylor, Vicki Ramos-Glew and Myra Ferguson

1. Myra sent a letter in support of an Energy Comm. grant application.
2. Lesser Property: the property is for sale and it cannot be subdivided. It has town trail easements on it. Mascoma Bank has the greatest interest in resolving the problem.
3. Spence Lot: Myra lead a discussion of the history of the lot, its physical characteristics, its accessibility and its potential. A nature trail was laid out on the lot in 1961. Since then, little attention has been given to this town property. Access is limited, C.J Road is impassable in many spots, especially in the spring. An inspection hike was set for May 16, participants to meet at Helen's at 9AM.
4. Bird Club: The P.C.C. has been asked to help with a bird census.
5. Penniman Wetlands: the Commission voted unanimously to work with the Select Board to protect the Penniman wetlands adjacent to the Town Garage. Myra, Bill and David T. will be attending Board meetings to represent the Conservation Commission in pertinent discussions.
6. Meeting adjourned at 8:30. Next meeting will be May 14.

Submitted by David Taylor

MAY

PLAINFIELD CONSERVATION COMMISSION!

MINUTES OF MEETING HELD MAY 14, 2015!

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Members Present: B. Knight, H. Koehler, V. Reames-Glew, M. Ferguson, J. Ptak, D. Taylor!

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1. Minutes of Apr. 9, 2015 approved.!
2. House Calls:Hardy, Guzman, Hines. Visits are being scheduled.!
3. Wildflower Walk:Set for May 23.!
4. Town Garage:We are awaiting word from Mike O'Leary as to a meeting of all interested parties to consider issues relating to the Town Garage.!
5. Koehler Trail:Myra asked that members try to visit the Spencer Lot this summer to get an idea where trails might be established.!
6. Bird Club:A bird census is underway. Future plans:a list of birds will be published and some trails may have to be reconfigured.!
7. Walker Farm#2:Bank owns it. No further subdivision allowed. NH Attorney General has final say. The town seeks a solution.!
8. Adjourned at 8:20. Next meeting 6/11.!

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Submitted by D. Taylor!

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JUNE  
NO MEETING

JULY  
NO MEETING

AUGUST  
NO MEETING

SEPTEMBER  
NO MEETING

OCTOBER  
NO MEETING

NOVEMBER  
NO MEETING

DECEMBER

**Plainfield Conservation Commission**  
**MINUTES—December 10,2015**

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Attendees: David Grobe, Judy Ptak, Helen Koehler, Myra Ferguson, Bill Knight, Vicky Ramos-Glew

Next Meeting: January 14, 2016

- Progress on PCC participation in Plainfield Town Garage Study Group was presented by Bill K. and Myra F.
  - Copy of DRAFT report of the PTGSG to the Select Board was shared. (see below)
- Spencer Lot: Discussion of field work (identifying and flagging boundaries)
  - Commission is undecided on what to do with the Spencer Lot. It's so remote. If we build/maintain trails, will visitors come?
  - This has been a problem for past PCCs. Maybe that's why, to date, no trails have been built.
  - PCC still wants to name whatever is done with this lot after George Koehler.
  - What do we do?



- Grantham perambulation meeting (April 2016) should have Select Board representative, but it's not our responsibility. We cannot force SB to attend. We notify them that Grantham has made a strong request for that level of participation. Helen K. intends to attend the perambulation meeting called in April 2016.
- MONITORING of Mud Pond, Walker #1 and #2 remain.
- Brief discussion about hiring a local land trust to complete our annual monitoring requirements.
  - We can handle these annual monitoring requirements. We don't want to spend the estimated \$3,700 for this service.
  - This was a suggestion from other NH conservation commissions (distributed through NHACC) that have many more conserved public lands than we do.
- Update Class VI Road Project
  - Myra to call Diane Rogers to ask her to rejoin PCC. We need her knowledge of Class VI Roads to complete our inventory and three-ring binder for Town information.
  - Roads to be completed:
    - Barker (croydon turnpike to cemetery woodward-poor home)
    - Bean (at dead end connects to Grantham Mountain)
    - Duncan (connect Goodwin to Red Hill)
    - Farm (Bill K. connects Jordan to Stage)
    - Farnum (connects Ladieu to Columbus Jordan to Center of Town to Stage roads)

- Grantham Mountain (dead end with residence then Corbin Park)
- Park (Bill K. dead end off Camp Road)
- Sugar Hill (David T. I have write-up, but no photographs)
- Tallow Hill (connects Stage to Reed's Mill then back to Stage)
- Old Stagecoach (off route 120 near east entrance to Morgan Hill and intersection near Methodist Hill)
- Woodward (connects Croydon Turnpike to Slack to Harriman)
- Slack (connects Croydon Turnpike to William Gage)
- Peterson (connects Freeman to 12A)
- Porter (connects Porter to Center of Town Road)