Conservation Commission Agenda for April 4, 2018 meeting @ 5PM

 (Upstairs Meeting Room)

Seating of Alternates

* Approval of Minutes of Mar. 14, 2018
* Planning Subdivision Regs: review purpose of open space set aside
* New Preston Falls Project Update (Site Plan has 5-yr Inland Wetlands permit) – Dirk Sabin
	+ Photos Tyler O’Hazo took in March
	+ Bridge repair schedule
		- Work with Town on stabilization of bridge abutment - replace planks, clean steel & repaint
	+ Funding Plan - suggestions re sources of $
		- Project component estimates – Dirk Sabin
	+ Continue research into structures and people who lived along the East Aspetuck River
	+ Meet with the New Preston Business Association and the New Preston Women’s Club
	+ Publish info in Town Newsletter – April Issue
* Demolition Delay Ordinance proposal of Historic District Commission
* Phragmites Removal by All Habitat (Permit for 6/29/17 – 12/31/2019)
* Viewscape/Ridgeline & Tree cutting regulations: **Goal to draft regs 2018** (Material sent 10/24 and 11/2)
	+ **Tree Regulations** – Dirk Sabin and Diane Dupuis
	+ Meeting with Arthur O’Neill
	+ Viewscape Guidelines – Dirk Sabin
* Town Tree Arboretum – Dirk Sabin
* Morris Low Impact Sustainable Development & Storm water Management Development Manual
* Schedule a bus tour of Town properties/easements that CC oversees and areas of concern
* May CC meeting - Meet before formal meeting at NP Falls and then go to NP Open Space – 4 PM?

*Subcommittee Reports & Assignments:*

* **New Preston Open Space** - 2018 Management Plan
	+ - Consensus to have mowed path up & around hillside
		- Monitor results of the Phragmites removal
* Town water resources protection – map work, at-risk areas (Impaired Waters List) & strategies to protect Town’s water quality - collaborate with Steep Rock– Randy Bernard

Other and/or Old Business:

*Review other commission minutes*

**2018 Commission Members**: Susan Payne, chair; Linda Frank, vice chair; Randy Bernard, Diane Dupuis, Tyler O’Hazo; alternates: Katherine Bennett, Dirk Sabin, Ann Quackenbos

**RSVP**: to Janice if you CANNOT attend.