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**Minutes  
Kent Sustainability Team Meeting  
March 9, 2022  
Via Zoom**

**Committee Members In Attendance:** Lianna Gantt, Miranda Lovato, Jean Speck

**Invited Guests:** Adam Whelchel of the Nature Conservancy, Melissa Cherniske of the Kent Land Trust

**Other Attendees:** Town Clerk Darlene Brady

1. The meeting was called to order at 10:00AM.
2. The Minutes of the January 27, 2022, meeting were approved.
3. Adam Whelchel of the Nature Conservancy came to discuss the format for the March 15 Community Resilience Building Workshop. Adam asked Jean Speck to make some opening and closing remarks at the Workshop. All other aspects of the workshop will be designed and conducted by Adam, Jessica LeClair from the state Sustainable CT organization, and their teams.
4. Melissa Cherniske commented that she thought the Workshop had to “warned” on the Town website. Adam commented that he did not think the other towns for which he had conducted similar Workshops had “warned” their Workshops. Adam was concerned that attendance by uninvited individuals might be inconsistent with the workshop format. Town Clerk Darlene Brady thought the Workshop should be “warned.” Jean will submit the appropriate papers to “warn” the Workshop.
5. Melissa Cherniske of the Kent Land Trust gave a very informative presentation on Pollinator Pathways and the work that has been undertaken in Kent to protect pollinators. Melissa asked the Sustainability Team to support a proposed Pollinator Pathways resolution to be presented to the Board of Selectmen for adoption. The Sustainability Team voted to support the proposed Resolution. Melissa will also provide us with Pollinator Pathways materials for submission to Sustainable CT under Action 3.12.
6. Lianna Gantt agreed to reach out to Amanda Quaid to collect any materials she may have on the “Poet Laureate” Action (4.2.1).
7. Lianna Gantt expressed interest in having the group focus on the “Optimize for Equity” Action (1.1). She will reach out to our Sustainable CT state representative for advice.
8. Lianna will send out an email to team members regarding an April meeting.
9. The meeting was adjourned at 11:40.

Lianna Gantt  
Chairperson – Kent Sustainability Team