

**TOWN OF ASHFORD
Conservation Commission
5 Town Hall Road
Ashford, CT. 06278**

Minutes

Monday May 23, 2016 at 7:30PM

Attendance: Janet Bellamy, Gwen Haaland, Jack Barclay and Loretta Wrobel

- 1. Call to Order-7:35PM**
- 2. Approval of 4-25-16 Minutes-approved**
- 3. Approval of Treasurer's Report-none**
- 4. Correspondence and Publications received-none**
- 5. Presentations-none**
- 6. Member Reports and Project**
- 7. New Business**
 - A. Kara Fishman, assessor-PA490 Farmland, Forests, Open Space Assessments Changes-unable to attend tonight will attend June CC**
 - B. Program Attorney Dakin Forestry/Farmland Succession /Tax Issues June 6 at 7PM Knowlton Hall important tax info + estate planning for all landowners with handouts, time for questions**
- 8. Old Business**
 - A. Langhammer Trail work day report--Thanks to Steve who cut +cleared trees at spur trail and Gwen + husband who cleared Mt Laurel +raked trail, Work day June 12 Sunday 9-11,TBD trail leaf raking, bridge over stream, trail by chair, two color blaze on spur**
 - B. Report on Fracking Ban Meeting 5-18-16-Mike Zambo to present ordinance at selectmen meeting then schedule town meeting, Loretta to check with Doug Lary on wording + severability clause of petition June 15 Fracking Waste Forum 7PM Knowlton Hall Jen Siskind to discuss why local laws are needed, what are chemical + radioactive concerns, and what are property + health risks of fracking waste**
 - C. Legacy Update—several landowners in process of completing application, absolute deadline June 17, need to write up proposal for total package, June 1 at 7 meeting to discuss letters of support, Loretta to contact Dan Peracchio for clarification, create framework for letters + assign people to contact legislators, Jean Pillo, Eric Thomas, Mike Zambo, Last Green Valley, Joshua Trust, Dan Donahue, Steve Broderick, Clean Water Action, Warren Church, Wetlands Chair, Steve Riviczkey, Ken Metzler suggestions named to contact**
- 9. Public Comments-none**
- 10. Discussion of Agenda for Next Meeting-Loretta to prepare**
- 11. Adjournment 9:15PM**

**Respectfully Submitted,
Loretta Wrobel**