

TOWN OF ASHFORD
Conservation Commission
5 Town Hall Road
Ashford, CT. 06278
Special Meeting Minutes

Monday August 27, 2018 7:00PM

Attendance: Gwen Haaland, Stephanie + Bill Dubinsky, Terry Wakeman, Steve Morytko and Loretta Wrobel

- 1. Call to Order-7:00PM**
- 2. Approval of Minutes-Monday July 30, 2018 minutes approved**
- 3. Approval of Treasurer's Report-none**
- 4. Correspondence and Publications received WCCC 10-29 announced**
- 5. Presentations-none**
- 6. Member Reports and Project-none**
- 7. Old Business**
 - A. Tremko Trail Link Walk-Tues Sept 11 9AM, meet at town hall, Steve+ Terry will lead a walk on proposed Tremko Link, will mark trail with temporary ribbon for further evaluation, purpose of walk is to identify spots of interest + link those areas to main trail, Terry has recently walked trail, pretty open, not much underbrush**
 - B. Sustainable CT-meeting will be scheduled to begin to identify actions that we have already completed + plan activities/actions that will lead to certification at some future date, contact Loretta birdeye123@charter.net**
 - C. Meeting with Jessica Wikle Quiet Corner Initiative Manager-Loretta to schedule a time for Jessica to meet with CC to see where we overlap +determine how we can coordinate work with forested landowners, opportunity to ask questions about health of forest, Nick Olson, Forest Manager interested also, Willington CC will be notified when date scheduled**
- 8. New Business**
 - A. Forest legacy meeting 8-20-18-Loretta met at JT office with Ed Hood(MassConn) to discuss a joint forest legacy project, Dan Peracchio, CT rep for Legacy along with Mass Legacy rep shared info about legacy program, applications need to be submitted by state, possibility of joint towns in CT submitting, need more acreage to be competitive, J Barclay interested in working with CC on legacy project, land trusts, LGV, CT Forest + Parks, plus others who were involved in other legacy projects at meeting, Loretta follow up to see interest among Ashford landowners who applied in past**
 - B. Fall trash Clean-up- Pamm Sommers eager to work again with CC to have late Oct or early Nov clean-up when vegetation less dense**

C. Other business-Gwen involved with (Jean Pillo) ECCD to monitor waters, recent rains have helped streams in town, will be checking devices for health of waterways.

Terry suggested article in Citizen discussing damage done to trees in town due to drought +gypsy moth infestations +changes to forestlands in town, many Oak trees damaged and not able to recover.

9. Public Comments-none

10. Discussion of Agenda-Loretta to prepare for Sept 24 meeting

11. Adjournment-7:50PM

Respectfully submitted,

Loretta Wrobel