

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

Monday October 22, 2018 7:00PM

Attendance: Bill +Stephanie Dubinsky, Christine Acebo, Janet Bellamy and Loretta Wrobel

- 1. Call to Order-7:02PM**
- 2. Approval of Minutes-none**
- 3. Approval of Treasurer's Report-none**
- 4. Correspondence and Publications received WCCC Oct 29, Habitat distributed**
- 5. Presentations-none**
- 6. Member Reports and Project-none**
- 7. Old Business**
 - A. Fall Trash Clean-Up in Nov-possible Nov 10 selected Loretta to check with Pamm Summers**
 - B. Yale Forest walk/talk Oct15-excellent, lots of information, Jessica Wikle ready to plan other programs with CC, CC consider other possibilities for collaboration**
 - C. Gwen update on Langhammer Trail-reschedule for next month**
- 8. New Business**
 - A. Meeting schedule for 2019-4th Monday of month except for May 20 which is 3rd Monday due to holiday, Christine made a motion, Stephanie seconded and approved**
 - B. Open Space Actions for Sustainable CT-Stephanie +Christine reported on sustainable meeting Monday morning to get feedback from towns that just achieved certification, talked about ways to simplify reporting procedure, possible grants available for paid coordinator, equity part most difficult, need to be aware of it from beginning to make documenting easier, end of Jan changes will be made for actions/documentation, funding resources not until Jan, both found it helpful to hear feedback from towns that completed process Janet reported P+Z endorsed participation in Sustainable CT, much discussion about building community, providing places for people to hang out and connect, places for teens/seniors, ways to generate interest in sustainability + build vibrant town**
 - C. Danielson Winter Market-210 Main St Danielson Nov-March 1st +3rd Sat of month 9-12 noon at Westfield Church, several of Ashford Farmers' Market vendors will be participating**
 - D. Future programs with Willington CC + Ashford CC-Jackie Kulig +Pete Andersen eager to do joint programing with us, perhaps a fair**

**showcasing conservation agencies/groups of interest to
landowners/residents of both towns**

**E. Other Business-Janet discussed new book by Paul Hawkin,
Drawdown. Comprehensive plan to reverse global warming**

10. Public Comments-none

11. Discussion of Agenda-Loretta to prepare for Nov26 meeting

11. Adjournment-8:12PM

Respectfully Submitted,

Loretta Wrobel, chair