TOWN OF BARKHAMSTED Barkhamsted Conservation Commission

January 6^{th,} 2022 Zoom Meeting Unapproved Minutes

1,Call to Order

Meeting called to order at 7:07 PM

<u>Members Present:</u> Ginny Apple, Linda Pulford,
Dawn Anstett, Mario Santoro, Judy Doyle

<u>Members Absent:</u>

2. Approval of minutes

December 15 minutes were approved.

3. Recognition of Public

Frank Kawa attended as a potential new member. He will be sworn-in before the next meeting.

4. Old Business

Resource List – There is an issue with the mapping system. So, no NRI yet. Ginny will email it to us for review as soon as she receives it.

5. New Business

- Sustainable Connecticut:

Katie Cox was a visitor last month and she suggested we participate and if she joins the BCC, she and Dawn will partner to lead that effort. The end goal is to get a certification which could make us eligible for some funding. The website is https://sustainablect.org/ There are opportunities for all of us in their checklist.

- The Earth Day Nature Celebration will be April 24, 2022.
 - ➤ Handing out tree seedlings. Linda is leading this effort. She contacted the National Wildlife Federation and it is too late to receive free seedlings for 2022. Ginny will contact Forester, Gerry Milne, about trees. Please send any resources or connections regarding free trees to Linda.
 - Linda contacted Jay Kaplan at Roaring Brook Nature Center and he said Covid will determine if they will participate. They would want an outdoor table. Ginny said we have pop up tents available.

- Handing out wildflower seeds. Linda and Judy will lead this effort. We voted to spend \$125 on a variety of wildflower seeds and small manila envelopes to package them in. No plastic. Dawn offered to help with displays the week before the festival. Ginny will follow up on the funding.
- > Talcott Mountain Science Center. We have not heard back from Lydia regarding their participation.

- Renting Christmas Trees

Judy suggested we survey the public to see if people would be interested in renting Christmas trees next year instead of buying. If there is enough interest, it would be a good project to advertise at the Riverton Fair. Judy will follow up.

5. Motion to adjourn: adjourned at 7:49 PM

Respectfully submitted, Linda Pulford