TOWN OF ASHFORD Conservation Commission 5 Town Hall Road Ashford, CT. 06278 CC Agenda meeting Monday October 23, 2023 7:00PM Knowlton Hall

Attendance: Steve Morytko, Christine Acebo, Bill Dubinsky, Janet Bellamy, Stephanie Dubinsky, Pamm Summers, Loretta Wrobel, guests Marjorie Roy, David Roy, Kurt Brenneman, Nora Galvin, Joseph Hendrick, Charles Vidich, Jeff Silver-Smith

- 1. Call to Order-7:01pm
- 2. Approval of 9-25-23Minutes-Christine made motion, Janet seconded and approved
- 3. Approval of Treasurer's Report-none
- 4. Correspondence and Publications received-Loretta distributed emails from community
- 5. Presentations- none
- 6. Member Reports and Projects-none
- 7. Old Business
 - A. POCD survey for PZC-tabled to next meeting
- 8. New Business
 - A. IID zoning changes for PZC-discussion with guest + members re possible changes to IID zone, Tolland has extensive regs, need to strengthen present regs, adjust building size to maintain rural character Tool Max ideal size, bedrock pyrite problems, sewage waste, impervious surfaces, noise issues, is part of public water supply, need for low impact development standards on all development, how project fits into natural environment, not effect downstream, balance conservation +development, no stormwater management standards, need watershed protection first 100-150 ft buffer, green economic development includes housing, labor force, type of business, Enfield has great buffer standards, DEEP doesn't supervise inland wetlands, zoning gives more clarity to developers, protection for protecting waterways, need to know what chemicals being used in development, septic system regulation size +cleaning, ecotourism possibility for IID zone, watershed, inland wetlands, steep slopes, hydrology, type of business, building lot size, performance standards, dark skies, The Last Green Valley, light standards, too much light pollution with businesses. recommend professionals, Set standards for performance, need for overarching principles, strong regulation better, Town can have strict zoning, water septic standards in flood plain, setback can be greater than Health Dept, Use science for zoning, how to verify standards, ? enforcement, invasive species issue
 - **B.** Other Business-none
- 9. Public Comment-see 8A
- **10.** Discussion of Agenda- special meeting to discuss input from community Loretta set
- 11. Adjournment-9:10PM

Respectfully submitted, Loretta Wrobel