

Canaan Conservation Commission

May 5, 2014

Attendees: Bill Chabot, Alice Schori, Elizabeth Chabot, Len Reitsma, Dave McAlister

Guest: Gary Wood

Guest Presentation: *Gary Wood, Friends of Canaan Village*

- Gary noted that he attended the recent presentation at Dartmouth about Building a Climate ready community. He found it very relevant to our current weather trends and what the Friends of Canaan have noticed down town with periodic flooding and changing water course
- The Friends invite the Conservation Commission to walk the down-town portion of the Indian River to observe the flow and some of the pilings that become obstructed. There is no real strategy for keeping these structures clear
- A walk is scheduled for this coming Sunday, May 11 at 10:30AM

April Minutes

- The April minutes were reviewed. Alice made one amendment: She had suggested that we invite Warren Johnston, he did not invite himself. Len moved that the minutes be approved with amendment, Bill seconded the motion, all approved

Earth Day

- Roadside clean-up went well. There is no count of bags for this year.

Nature Hut

- Bill has emailed Mike Samson for advise how to proceed with the easement. The town attorney will be consulted.
- It's too late to request funding from the Quabbin to Cardigan Partnership this year, but we should contact them about future funding opportunities.
- Bill to present a plan to the CCC

Motion to adjourn made by Elizabeth, seconded by Dave

Next meeting to be held on June 2, 2014 at the Senior Center.