

May 15, 2024 CAST Minutes

Present: John Reid, Lee Michaelides, Jen Durgin, Laura Simon; Dana Clawson, staff
Public: No Public Comments

Minutes: Minutes from April meeting were approved.

Dana reported about ongoing discussions for a landfill amnesty day at the transfer station. West Hartford Library Tesla battery project was postponed because of permitting issues. Dana reported about landslides issues in town. Talks underway to have Dartmouth students work on a climate related project. A class called “Anthropology of Destruction” might work on a mapping project for two terms starting next fall. Dartmouth has some funding for the student project. John mentioned that a UVM team is updating flood maps as a possible source for data in Hartford.

Styrofoam Project; White River Jct. Rotary will fund one or two collections. Lebanon has collected as much as \$1,000 in donations to offset costs. Need to find a location to have room for two collection trucks and two drop-off lanes. Jen will follow-up with people who have expressed an interest or is a stakeholder in the project. Agenda for the first meeting will be logistics. Laura suggested that Jen contact some people who have locations that might be contacted. Discussed how to collect and process donations.

Combining CAST and Resilient Hartford (RS): John suggests that the hazard mitigation plan transfer from RS to CAST because their main focus is on the food forests and CAST has become the contact for the Nature Conservancy Mitigation project. There was interest among CAST to merge. Dana will connect with Matt in the planning office.

Next Meeting: June 26. (Date change due to the block party.)