TOWN OF BARKHAMSTED
CONSERVATION COMMISSION
Unapproved Minutes Thursday, August 4, 2011

Khea Cook called the meeting to order at 7:32p.m
Members present were:
Jim Becktel, Roger Behrens, Deb Ciriello, Scott Johnstone, Bill Winchester
Absent: Mike Beauchene, Amy Connelly, Don Pelletier
Guests: Marc Cohen, Bill Janecek

Approval of Minutes: Scott made a motion to approve the June 2nd meeting minutes, seconded by Jim, unanimously approved.

Riverton Fair Plans: Scott is waiting for the insurance forms. Marc brought copies of the suggested handouts and will provide an area map denoting aquifer locations. All members will bring ideas to the next meeting which will create a draw to our booth.

Discussion of Meetings/Seminars attended by members: Scott, Roger gave updates.

Old Business:

Jim will attend the August 11th P&Z meeting; Khea will attend the meeting on August 25th.

· CT Grasslands Initiative – Roger provided an article which indicated that the Granby Conservation Commission is partnering with the town of Barkhamsted to request the CT DEEP to adhere to their plan of regularly mowing and maintaining the fields at Enders State Forest. Granby will be sending a letter in support of this initiative and our commission will do likewise. Roger will create a draft letter for comments. There was also discussion on the possibility of organizing volunteer groups to tackle this activity.

· Water Quality Booklet- Marc will make 4 additional copies; one will be given to Roger to share with the FRCC; will also be used for talking points at the Fair.

. Natural Resource Inventory Booklet-members are encouraged to read and identify key activities to pursue.

· Aquifer Proposal and cover letter – will be brought to next month's meeting for finalization and then mailed to the P&Z

· CACIWC –Khea said the IWC would share the subscription cost with us.

· Budget- cost of half of the CACIWC subscription will be paid from our budget

New Business-None

Correspondence- Letter from Richard Blumenthal to the BCC thanking us for our endorsement of the Natural Rural Water Association.

Roger moved to adjourn at 8:46pm; Jim seconded. Motion passed unanimously.
Respectfully submitted, Deb Ciriello, BCC Secretary