CAST Meeting July 19, 2023

Present: John Reid (Planning Commission 2024), Lee Michaelides (Conservation Commission 2025), Laura Simon (Hartford Energy Commission), Carolyn Hooper (Resilient Hartford 2025), Dana Clawson, Staff

Minutes of the June 7, 2023 meeting. No motion to approve minutes due to lack of a quorum.

Addition to agenda: Dana updated on future grant submissions.

Open Positions on CAST: Molly Dunn and Ashton Todd have resigned. CAST should recruit replacements.

Foam Recycling Update: John is making contact with local people currently working in this space. He is also reaching out to town officials who may have the resources or know where to find them to meet the needs of foam recycling.

Section 5 Water & Waste Water: CAST members should re-read this section before the August meeting.

Community Outreach: Lee recapped what he thought was a lack of awareness about the Climate Action Plan and the work that is being done. As an example, checking in with the School Board. Finding out if the Climate Action plan is something they consider. Laura suggested asking the School Board for a liaison. On a related topic, CAST can discuss ideas for community outreach at the August meeting. Carolyn’s idea of ReWilding Wilder is a great example of a project that could benefit from community outreach.