Canaan Conservation Commission

August 8, 2012

Attendees: Bill Chabot, Mandy Ruest, Hilary Rogers, Elizabeth Chabot

Reviewed minutes of meeting dated June 4th, 2012. Hilary made motion to approve, seconded by Mandy, all voted in favor.

Nature Hut

- We will have a poster of Nature Hut photos at Old Homes day.
- Bill emailed the teachers on the list as provided by Marcia and to-date has received no response
- We noted that a sign for the Town Forest would be helpful for people looking for it. We will need to discuss with the Select board. Continue the discussion in the September meeting.
- Mandy provided some excellent lesson plans on disk for consideration
- Mandy had some other great suggestions for the Hut:
 - Picture post: A post with NSEW indicators for positioning a camera. Photos taken at different times of the year could be posted on the Canaan website and could be a fun activity for visiting students
 - o Laminated sheets identifying trees, birds, other plants
 - Hang footprint casts
 - Next Hut Day: Sept 9th
 - o Benches
 - o Clean up inside Hut
 - Install remaining window(s)
 - o Mark Trails

Old Homes Day

• Bill to email John Bergeron to see if there is space available for display of pictures and hopefully a trail map of the Nature Hut & trail system.

Williams Field Playground

• The playground has officially opened

Mascoma River Cleanup

• Bill represented the Conservation Commission and noted that the cleanup went well.

Misc:

• Note: There was no July Meeting

Next meeting to be held on September 10th at the Senior Center.