



Niantic River Watershed Committee, Inc.

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Minutes
NRWC Board of Directors
April 6, 2017 6:00pm
East Lyme Town Hall, Conference Room 1
108 Pennsylvania Avenue, Niantic, CT

May 4 2017 AT 2:45 AM/PM
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EAST LYME TOWN CLERK

Attendees: Ralph Bates, Town of East Lyme; Don Danila, Town of East Lyme; Peter Harris, Waterford-East Lyme Shellfish Commission; John Jasper, Town of East Lyme; Rick Kanter, Waterford-East Lyme Shellfish Commission; Don Landers, East Lyme Harbor Management; Doug Lawson, Town of Waterford; Ruth Savalle, Town of Salem; David Turner, Town of Montville; Maureen Fitzgerald, Waterford Environmental Planner; and Judy Rondeau, Watershed Coordinator

Excused: Chris Tomichek, Town of Waterford; Eric Thomas, CT DEEP

Absent: Tom Bowen, Town of Montville

1. Call to Order: Vice-Chair Don Landers called the meeting to order at 6:00pm.
2. Seating of Alternates: Don Danila made a Motion to seat Ralph Bates for Chris Tomichek and Rick Kanter for Tom Bowen, seconded by Pete Harris. All in favor, motion passes.
3. Review and Approval of March 2, 2017 Meeting Minutes: Motion to approve minutes as corrected Dave Turner, seconded by Don Danila. All in favor, motion passes.
4. Treasurer's Report: Presented by Don Danila; Motion to approve as presented by John Jasper, seconded by Peter Harris. All in favor, motion passes.
5. Coordinator's Report: Presented by Judy Rondeau and then discussed by Board.
 - a. Dominion Grant Report: Don Landers informed the Board that Dominion has approved the \$10,000 Grant the Board applied for.
6. DEEP Liaison Report: Presented by Judy Rondeau for Eric Thomas and then discussed by Board.
7. Old Business:
 - a. Town Matters: Directors suggested contacting East Lyme public schools to see if any site improvement projects are scheduled that could incorporate rain gardens. Ruth Savalle commented that safety improvements on RT 85 in Salem are scheduled. Also, improvements at Horse Pond are proposed. Ralph Bates commented that there is a hearing scheduled for a communications tower on the town-owned Darrow Pond property, and a dog park is proposed in town.
 - b. Watershed Signs: Nothing to Report

c. Bi-annual Plan of Work Update: Board reviewed made comments/suggestions and changes which Judy will use to update the plan.

8. Subcommittee Updates:

- a. Monitoring Group: Don Danila presented his monthly water quality sampling report. Don presented the monitoring plan for wet weather sampling. Discussion followed.
- b. Education/Outreach Group: Covered under Coordinator's Report.
- c. Grant Review/Fundraising: Covered under Coordinator's Report.
- d. Membership Subcommittee: Nothing to report
- e. NRWPP Update/RFP Subcommittee: Nothing to report
- f. Audit Committee: Ralph Bates presented the completed Audit Report. A Motion was made by David Turner to accept the Audit Report as presented, seconded by Peter Harris. All in favor, Motion Passes.

9. New Business:

- a. ECCD Project Support Reimbursement: 1st quarter 2017, \$2,250.00 (1/1/17 – 4/30/17). Don Danila made a Motion to reimburse ECCD for project support in the amount of \$2,250, seconded by David Turner. All in favor, Motion Passes.
- b. ECCD Rain Garden Project Reimbursement: Don Danila made a Motion to reimbursement ECCD for Rain Garden project development in the amount of \$672, seconded by David Turner. All in favor, Motion passes.
- c. ECCD Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) for NRWPP Update Project: Place holder for next month.

10. Public Comments: Subsequent to the DEEP presentation on stream flow in Latimer Brook, directors discussed what could be done to improve stream flow, including public education.

11. The next meeting: May 4, 2017 PM, East Lyme Town Hall, 108 Pennsylvania Ave, Niantic, CT

12. Adjournment: Don Landers made a Motion to adjourn at 7:20pm, seconded by John Jasper. All in favor, the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully Submitted,

Ruth L. Savalle
Secretary