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Minutes

NRWC Board of Directors

July 6, 2023, 6 pm

Via ZOOM Online Conferencing

Attendees: Melissa Bezanson, Town of Salem, Jamie Vaudrey, NRWC Coordinator; Chris Tomichek, Town of Waterford; Don Danila, Town of East Lyme; Peter Harris, Waterford-East Lyme Shellfish Commission; Amy Cabaniss (alternate), Susan Gonzalez, Town of East Lyme

Excused: Eric Thomas, CT DEEP, Dave Turner (Montville); Don Landers, East Lyme Harbor Management and Shellfish Commission, Jim Paganetti (Town of Waterford)

1. **Call to Order:** C. Tomichek called the meeting to order at 6:03 PM.
2. **Seating of Alternates:** D. Danila motioned to seat Amy Cabaniss for vacant Salem seat, seconded by P. Harris, all in favor, motion approved.
3. **Review and Approval of May 2023 meeting minutes:** D. Danila motioned to approve the May 2023 meeting minutes as submitted, seconded by P. Harris, all in favor, motion passed unanimously.
4. **Review and Approval of June 2023 meeting minutes:** D. Danila motioned approve the May 2023 meeting minutes as amended by A. Cabaniss, seconded by P. Harris, all in favor, motion was passed unanimously.
5. **Treasurer's Report:** D. Danila reviewed the Treasurer's report. S. Gonzalez motioned to approve the Treasurer's Report as presented, seconded by A. Cabaniss.
6. **Coordinator's Report:** J. Vaudrey reviewed the coordinator's report and tasks in progress: Summer Newsletter, Watershed Report Card, and preparations for East Lyme Day.
7. **DEEP Liaison Report:** no coordinator report (E. Thomas absent)
8. **Old Business:**
 - a. Town Matters:
 - Noble Gas project is wrapping up, cars observed at pumps.
 - b. 2023-2024 NRWC Workplan Update: The group reviewed the difference between the median and average rankings. Consensus was to utilize the Median Ranking column to rank tasks. D. Danila motioned to use the Median ranks as discussed, seconded by A. Cabaniss, all in favor, motion passed. Melissa to clean up and remove individual rankings for Jamie to post on the website.
9. **Subcommittee Updates:**
 - a. **Monitoring Group:** D. Danila requested that the reviewers (J. Vaudrey, D. Landers, S. Gonzalez, and C. Tomichek) complete their review so that he can finalize in advance of the summit. Monitoring subcommittee to meet at 5pm on Aug 3rd, prior to the scheduled meeting. D. Danila is estimating approximately 15 printed copies of the



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Monitoring report will be needed for distribution in addition to the electronic version transmission.

- b. Education/Outreach Group: Set for September 12th. Waiting to hear back on venue, P. Harris submitted application to Camp Nett.

10. **New Business**: None

11. **Public Comments**: None

12. **Next meeting**: August 3, 6 PM, at East Lyme Town Hall. The meeting will be only in person unless specifically requested. WebEx meeting services to be used instead of Zoom, due to Zoom access issues.

13. **Adjournment**: P. Harris motioned to adjourn at 6:55 PM, seconded by D. Danila. All in favor, the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Melissa Bezanson
Town of Salem