



Niantic River Watershed Committee

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Minutes
NRWC Board of Directors
July 12, 2012, 6:00pm
914 Hartford Tpk – 2nd Flr, Waterford, CT

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July 10, 2014 AT 2:15 AM/PM
Walter Salvo, Jr.
EAST LYME TOWN CLERK

Attendees: Don Danila, Town of East Lyme; Rick Kanter, Waterford-East Lyme Shellfish Commission; Don Landers, East Lyme Harbor Management; Ruth Savalle, Town of Salem; Eric Thomas, CT DEEP; Chris Tomichek, Town of Waterford; David Turner, Town of Montville; Judy Rondeau, Watershed Coordinator.

Excused: Jeff Crouch, Town of Montville; Peter Harris, Waterford-East Lyme Shellfish Commission; John Jasper, Town of East Lyme; Marc Lafrance, Town of Montville (appt. pending); Doug Lawson, Town of Waterford; Marvin Schutt, Town of East Lyme.

1. Call to Order: Chairperson Chris Tomichek called the meeting to order at 6:01 pm.
2. Seating of Alternates: Don Landers made a motion to seat East Lyme alternate Don Danila, seconded by Dave Turner. All in favor, motion passes.
3. Review and Approval of May 3, 2012 Meeting Minutes: Dave Turner made a motion to approve the minutes as presented, seconded by Don Landers. All in favor, motion passes.
4. Treasurer's Report: Treasurer Dave Turner reviewed the budget. Don Landers made a motion to accept the budget as presented, seconded by Don Danila. All in favor, budget is accepted. Discussion followed regarding the budget format. Directors requested that future budget reports be revised to show the opening balance, income or expenses, and closing balance for the reporting period. Directors reviewed the status of discussions with the watershed towns. Judy reported that funding been received from Salem.
5. Coordinator's Report: Judy reviewed her activities for the previous month. She has been preparing for Celebrate East Lyme Day, including registering for the event and preparing outreach materials, and working with YSI and EPA to resolve a problem with the YSI meter. She is also in the process of planning upcoming macro-invertebrate surveys in the watershed, to take place later this summer/early fall.
6. Old Business:
 - a. Grant funding: Discussion took place regarding establishing a grant review team. The team would identify programs and/or activities to pursue based on the Plan of

Work, and identify funding opportunities to support those goals. Dave Turner made a motion to form a grant evaluation subcommittee, seconded by Rick Kanter. Discussion followed. The motion was revised to establish a grant review/fundraising subcommittee. All in favor, motion passes. Eric Thomas, Judy Rondeau, Dave Turner and Ruth Savalle offered to populate the new subcommittee.

- b. Letter to Water & Sewer Board: Rick Kanter read into the record a letter WELSCO submitted in 2004 to the East Lyme Water & Sewer Board regarding support of the then prospective sewerage of Pine Grove. It was suggested that this letter could be revised and submitted by NRWC in support of sewerage of Saunders Point.

7. Subcommittee Updates

- a. 501c3: The draft Articles of Incorporation will be sent out to the Board for review and comment.
- b. Monitoring Group: Don Danila updated the Board on the Latimer Brook water sampling program. He last conducted sampling on June 28th. Due to issues with the YSI, he only collected nutrient data. Judy will be ordering additional sample bottles to help improve the efficiency of the nitrate process, which is very time consuming.
- c. Education/Outreach Group: Directors discussed the development of a trifold for outreach opportunities, and the possibility of a watershed tour later in the summer/fall.

8. New Business:

- a. Celebrate East Lyme Day: Directors finalized plans for Celebrate East Lyme Day (July 21st). Several directors offered to donate water to be distributed for a small donation. The Dominion Lab will provide marine invertebrates. We will also have Niantic logo stickers available for distribution for a small donation. Dave Turner suggested we could use donations to open a bank account. He offered to check on rates/fees at a few local banks.

9. Next meeting: August 2, 2012, 6 pm, at 914 Hartford Turnpike, Waterford, CT.

10. Adjourn: Dave Turner made a motion to adjourn at 7:49 PM, seconded by Don Landers. All in favor, the meeting adjourned.

Respectfully Submitted,



Judy Rondeau
Watershed Coordinator