AMERICAN HERITAGE RIVER COMMISSION MINUTES OF APRIL 15. 2010 MEETING

In Attendance:

John BurnhamJohn DrakeAl FloydAlbert GrantJohn KehoeBarbara ShermanDick ShermanTom Talamini

Absent:

Michele Belisle Joanne Drapeau Ken Francis Kristen Martin

Margaret Steinbugler Deb Talamini Peter Weilhouwer

<u>CALL TO ORDER</u>: 7:08 PM <u>MINUTES of Mar. 18, 2010 MEETING</u>: Approved.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

a. "Mansions at Canyon Ridge" (formerly Mansions on Scantic) - Nothing new.

- b. East Windsor River Guide /SRWA Guides Currently available at Broad Brook Bookstore.
- c. Canoe Trips on Scantic / Flood (River) Review Reported that 5 canoes and kayaks were seen on river. Again asking for info re fallen trees or washouts.
- d. Trail Markers New yellow diamond shape ones will be placed on trees with aluminum nails per DEP regulations.
- e. Membership A few Members will probably be changing their status to alternate due to outside commitments. This will help in our getting a quorum at meetings.
- f. Activities April 25: Albert Grant would be leading a hike on Bald Mountain start time 10AM. May 9: SWRA bird paddle 7:30AM Mill Pond, Somersville

 June 5 for National Trails Day, SRWA has planned activities set at Powder Mill Barn.

 June 6 for CT Watershed Trails Day canoe/kayak trip on CT River starting from Kings Landing, time unknown at this point.

OLD BUSINESS:

- a. April walk set for 10AM 4/18. Light maintenance will be done and markers placed where possible.
- b. Chair reported attending the Ct River Assembly meeting 4/7/10. All towns along the river were part of the assembly when it was first formed but participation dwindled, with activity starting back up. Work has been done north of Massachusetts and from Middletown south, with the current focus on the middle (which would include East Windsor section). Membership fee is \$500 and the Chair approached First Selectman who questioned the fee due to budget issues. She was directed to a contact at CROG.

NEW BUSINESS:

- a. Saturday would be the start of the fishing season and there have been at least 3 stockings near the Osborn Mill Bridge. New "free" license required for inland fishing. Discussion with Len Norton re parking area at O'Melia Road by Chair led to promise of work there this coming week.
- b. Report that SRWA President Rex Joffray has scheduled a 5/5 meeting with South Windsor river committee (time unknown).
- c. Chair announced he would not be attending the next meeting 5/20 but the meeting would still be held and a volunteer would be needed to take the minutes.

ADJOURNMENT: 7:52 P.M.