

**AMERICAN HERITAGE RIVER COMMISSION
MINUTES OF DECEMBER 17, 2015 - REGULAR MEETING
WAREHOUSE POINT LIBRARY**

IN ATTENDANCE:

Alan Baker	Al Floyd
Albert Grant	Dick Sherman
Dick Sullivan	Deb Talamini
Scott Tripp	Tom Talamini

ABSENT: ,

Joanne Drapeau	Ken Francis	Sue Gaffney	Jim Halloran
Ray Jones	Lois Noble	Barbara Sherman	

GUEST: Rebecca Talamini

1. CALL TO ORDER: 7:08 PM

2. MINUTES of November 19, 2015 Regular Meeting: Motioned, Seconded & Approved, no abstentions.

3. TREASURER'S REPORT: Treasurer Deb Talamini reported no activity.

4. ADDED AGENDA ITEMS:

5f) Material costs

6d) Grant opportunity

5. ON-GOING / OLD BUSINESS:

a) River review - water levels are quite low.

b) Dr. Martin has an NIH grant for e coli testing and the MMN1 grant is for summer research. Needs coordinates to locate bottle sites for three water samples.

c) Scantic River State Park /Filter Bed area - Dick Sherman repaired SRSP bridge #7 and a suggestion was received (and agreed upon) that bridge #3 get rebuilt before our New Years Day hike.

d) Bottle/can receptacle: Dick Sherman did cleaning maintenance on the inside of the receptacle container.

e) Social media/Publicity - Deb Talamini reported that our annual 'First Day Hike' notice has been submitted to the Journal Inquirer, social media sites (Facebook) and local forums.

f) Dick Sherman presented a summary of material costs for repairing SRSP bridge #3. It was agreed upon to go ahead with the purchase of materials, so we can get things in order before the Hike.

6. NEW BUSINESS

a) December work party scheduled for Dec 19 at 9AM to repair bridges at SRSP.

b) SRWA December meeting - Alicia Charamut (CT River Alliance) looking for 10 sites for water testing; possibly two sites could be in East Windsor. Volunteer Park area was suggested on the CT River. Also the Alliance was interested in possible "paddlers' travel experience campsites'.

c) New Year's day Hike: Planning for bridge repair work and hanging our event banner in the center of town on Sat, Dec 19. All other details are secured.

d) Grant opportunity - Alan Baker received a suggestion that we apply for an upcoming grant (Responsible Growth & Transit Oriented Development grant), due February 4, 2016.

7. PUBLIC INPUT – None.

ADJOURNMENT: 8:00 PM

Respectfully submitted,
Debbie Talamini 12/28/2015