

AMERICAN HERITAGE RIVER COMMISSION

MINUTES OF THURSDAY - SEPTEMBER 15, 2016 REGULAR MEETING WAREHOUSE POINT LIBRARY

IN ATTENDANCE:

Tom Talamini	Deb Talamini	Al Floyd
Sue Gaffney	Dick Sullivan	Scott Tripp
Joanne Drapeau		

ABSENT:

Dick Sherman	Barbara Sherman	
Alan Baker	Ken Francis	Julie Pratt
Albert Grant	Jim Halloran	Ray Jones

GUESTS:

Selectman Dick Pippin & Kathy Pippin

1. **CALL TO ORDER:** Vice Chair, Tom Talamini, called the meeting to order at 7:01 PM
2. **MINUTES** of August 18, 2016 Regular Meeting: Motioned, Seconded and Approved.
3. **TREASURER'S REPORT:** Treasurer Deb Talamini - no transactions to report.
4. **ADDED AGENDA ITEMS:** None
5. **ON-GOING / OLD BUSINESS:**
 - a. River Review – Not much water, very low.
 - b. Water testing – Tom read water test readings for this week. Quality is improving. Short discussion on which of the labeled results is reported for the sign at Cemetery Road.
 - c. Scantic River State Park Trail - conditions are quite overgrown along trail. Discussion about new trail markings. A colored circle (Member, Sue Gaffney suggested orange) would be good to denote new trail. Instead of wooden trail markers, it was agreed upon that spray painting the symbol on trees would eliminate markers being stolen or shot at.

A new tree tag sighting was spotted by one of our volunteer members (photo sent to Vice Chair) who shared with the members. Appears to be numbered and tagged by DEEP for a survey.

Filter Bed Area – has been kept clean.

- a. Can and Bottle Receptacle – Lots of activity. A new order of AHRC tee shirts have been placed with these funds.
- b. August Work Party – Low water, unsafe water levels, heat & humidity; and health issues among members have prevented work party activity last month.
- f. Source to Sea – The nationwide date is September 23-24; however, this conflicts with our EW Community Day. The decision was to wait until October when the leaves would be gone and maybe there would be water. Tentatively holding Sat Oct 22 as a possible work party.

g. Social Media / Publicity – no new activities

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6. NEW BUSINESS:

a. Sept work party – nothing scheduled

b. SRWA – No meeting in September.

c. EW Community Day is Sept 24. Chair Dick Sherman will have some AHRC info at the Lions Club table.

d. Barbara Sherman, AHRC secretary reported that our AHRC section was submitted for the EW Annual Town report

7. PUBLIC INPUT – none

ADJOURNMENT: 7:25 PM.

Respectfully submitted,
Debbie Talamini 9/18/2016