

AMERICAN HERITAGE RIVER COMMISSION

MINUTES OF THURSDAY - March 16, 2017 REGULAR MEETING WAREHOUSE POINT LIBRARY

IN ATTENDANCE:

Joanne Drapeau	Albert Grant
Barbara Sherman	Dick Sherman
Dick Sullivan	Tom Talamini

ABSENT:

Alan Baker	Al Floyd
Ken Francis	Jim Halloran
Julie Pratt	Deb Talamini
Rebecca Talamini	Scott Tripp

1. **CALL TO ORDER:** Chair called the meeting to order at 7:05 PM
2. **MINUTES** of February 16, 2017 Regular Meeting: Motioned, Seconded and Approved.
3. **TREASURER'S REPORT:** Nothing new.
4. **ADDED AGENDA ITEMS:** None
5. **ON-GOING / OLD BUSINESS:**
 - a. River Review – Can't get close to water with all the snow..
 - b. Water testing – Monthly testing accomplished by Debbie Nordell prior to leaving on vacation.
 - c. Scantic Rive State Park / Filter Beds – Access areas still being plowed.
 - d. Bottle Receptacle – Report from Ray Jones that he contacted the Police Department after seeing the dumping being done. He will get a sign from Highway Department to prohibit that from continuing.
 - e. Update on RTP Grant – Contact with a firm to get another estimate and plan to conform to award of \$85,000 was done. Discussion as to how to accomplish the project with the award and lower number of volunteers of late followed.
 - f. Social Media/publicity – CT Trails Day hike info will be in State booklet confirming our hike on Sunday, June 4th starting at 10AM.

NEW BUSINESS:

- a. March work party – Waiting for favorable weather conditions to schedule anything.
- b. SRWA – did not hold its meeting Monday, assuming Spring Splash will still be March 25.

- c Need for Volunteers – An email call for help will go out to our entire list, looking for help when we get the go ahead to start work on the “Added Greenway Trails” per the new grant and continue our work on the additional trails that will connect to our existing 2.5 miles of trail on the eastern side of the Scantic River.

7. PUBLIC INPUT – DPW Pamphlet showing run off and drains and how it can impact the rivers was passed around.

- Upcoming events:
 - June 4 - CT Trails Day hike
 - June 25 - annual Cardboard Boat Race & Rubber Duck Race

ADJOURNMENT: 7:45 PM.

Respectfully submitted,
Barbara Sherman
3/17/2017