

AMERICAN HERITAGE RIVER COMMISSION
MINUTES OF THURSDAY - OCTOBER 18, 2018
REGULAR MEETING
WAREHOUSE POINT LIBRARY

IN ATTENDANCE:

Joanne Drapeau	Al Floyd	Albie Grant
Julie Pratt	Barbara Sherman	Dick Sherman
Dick Sullivan	Debbie Talamini	Rebecca Talamini
Tom Talamini	Scott Tripp	Mark Whelden

ABSENT:

Sue Gaffney

GUEST: Deb Nordell

1. **CALL TO ORDER:** Chair called the meeting to order at 7:04 PM.
2. **MINUTES** of September 20, 2018 Regular Meeting: Motioned, Seconded; Approved.
3. **TREASURER'S REPORT:** Treasurer Deb Talamini said nothing new.
4. **ADDED AGENDA ITEMS:** None
5. **ON-GOING / OLD BUSINESS:**
 - a. River Review – Just lots of water, hard to see the tops of any trees.
 - b. Water testing – Regular monthly testing continues. A full spreadsheet of the E. coli readings for 2018 summer season was presented to the Board of Selectmen with a thank you for their continued support of its funding.
 - c. Scantic River State Park / Filter Beds – Other than a ride through the filter beds noting its good condition thanks to our former Commission member, the other trails have not been surveyed.
 - d. Bottle Receptacle – Member Joanne helped with emptying it today.
 - e. New RTP Grant Award – Too soon for anything to report.
 - f. Land for Sale – Three members of the Board of Selectmen met with the undersigned and Barbara Sabonis and walked the property and were shown maps. They will bring the information back to the full Board at tonight's meeting.
 - g. Heritage Day - AHRC's float was decorated and prepared with love by all members and thanks to Sue & Dick for use of their garage and to Julie for her fine art work we were ready. It was fun.
 - h. Membership – Commission openings are 1 full membership open and 1 alternate slot still available.

i. Social Media/publicity – Deb Talamini said nothing new.

6. NEW BUSINESS:

a. October work party – Hoping that with the leaves falling it will be easier to get something done, members will meet Saturday October 27th at 9 AM at the first tobacco shed and continue with the project on the bridges.

b. SRWA – Will hold their annual meeting on December 6 at the Methodist Church in Hazardville. Their key topic will be the AMC Connecticut Camping Trail.

c. Legislative information – is being forwarded from CT River Conservancy for the awareness of the members.

d. Annual Report – We were notified that it is due by November 2 and we will meet that deadline.

7. PUBLIC INPUT / CORRESPONDENCE – Deb Nordell said her testing has been going well except for the mosquitoes. She has been picking up trash at her testing sites and we thank her for that effort.

ADJOURNMENT: 7:35 PM.

Respectfully submitted, Barbara Sherman
October 21, 2018