AMERICAN HERITAGE RIVER COMMISSION

MINUTES OF THURSDAY - August 15, 2019
REGULAR MEETING
WAREHOUSE POINT LIBRARY

IN ATTENDANCE:

Dick Sherman	Mark Whelden	
Tom Talamini	Debbie Talamini	Joanne Drapeau
Albert Grant	Scott Tripp	Al Floyd
Rebecca Talamini	Dick Sullivan	Susan Gaffney Sullivan
Russell Williams	Debbie Williams	

ABSENT:
Barbara Sherman, Julie Pratt

1. **Call to order** at 7:03pm

2. **Minutes** of July 18, 2019 meeting approved and seconded

3. **Treasurer's Report -** BMX donation (for our help with their duck races) was deposited with the town Treasurer.

4. **Added Agenda Items** - none

5. **On-Going Business   /   Old Business**

   a. River review – water levels are low and many trees have fallen due to soil erosion

   b. Water testing – Regular testing ongoing. One site has been added on East Road/Broad Brook stream (through mid-September)

   c.   Scantic River State Park Trail - Filter beds: Work on bridge #2 was completed with University of St. Joseph biology students who assist with our E coli testing; along with 4 AHRC members.

   d.   Bottle / Can Receptacle – has been very productive this month

   e. Partnership on Broad Brook/Scantic River: Consortium meeting was held on July 30. Next meeting is September 18 at 1:00pm. Let Dick Sherman know if you are interested in attending.

   f. Social media/publicity - photos have been posted on our Facebook page of the bridge work by USJ students.

6. **New Business**

a.   August work party: scheduled for August 17 to work in river, clearing trees/debris from the Sabonis landing area to Cemetery Road.

b   SRWA – moon light paddle planned for August 17 at Somersville Pond.

c   Discussion of a possible Fall paddle event

d   Fall trail work was discussed for materials to replace Bridge #9, within Scantic River State Park. Tom to get a quote to Dick Sherman of materials needed.

e   Member Mark Whelden mowed the Town right of way down to Wicketts Bridge off Plantation Road.

7.   **Public input** - none
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8. **Adjournment:**   7:36 pm

Respectfully submitted,
Debbie Talamini
August 18, 2019