

NORTH STONINGTON CONSERVATION COMMISSION

September 21, 2023 @6:00pm

New Town Hall

Minutes

Call to order 6:05

Attendance: Bill Ricker, Steve Colgan, Arnie Vlieks, Bob Degoursey, Monica Dumont, Josh Strunk

Regrets: Doug Farrand

Minutes of July and August meetings accepted as written

Citizen Comments None

Josh was welcomed as newest associate member of CC. Arnie willing to serve another 5-year term..

Old Business:

- Progress of Bike trail. Steve passed around copies of the latest trail map. This was followed by a few suggestions. The map is at or near final.
- Trails maintenance. Stewart Preserve needs work. Other trails are in order.
- Report on Lake of Isles CE. CC has completed its report and recommendations to Board of Selectmen. They must now decide what compensation, if any, is required by MPTN. Lawyers involved suggest no compensation is required.
- Calendar progress. Done. Printing estimates for 100 calendars will be sought.

New Business:

- Steve, Bob and Bill reported on the variety of opinions shared at the POCD town-wide meeting regarding future developments for North Stonington. There was widespread agreement regarding improvements around the library and neighboring building but lack of agreement regarding affordable housing needs.
- Steve will send out suggestions regarding Pocket Park work day schedule and level of effort.
- Mystic River Watershed. Bob, as representative from North Stonington took part in a planning meeting between the Mashantucket/Eastern Pequot tribes and several of the nearby towns affected by the poor Mystic River (and neighboring waterways) water quality.

Handouts: New member packets, draft bike map, revised membership list.

Motion made and seconded to adjourn at 7:30pm

Voted: 6-0-0

Respectively submitted,

A.E.Vlieks