

**NORTH STONINGTON CONSERVATION COMMISSION**  
**Town Hall Conference Room**  
**June 27, 2019 @ 6:00pm**  
**Minutes**

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*Mission: For the development, conservation, supervision, and regulation of natural and historic resources, including water resources, within its territorial limits. (adopted September 2007)*

Call to order: 6:01 p.m.

Present: Present: Steve Colgan, Bill Ricker, Arnie Vlieks, Doug Farrand  
Regrets: Bob DeGoursey, Mike Charnetski, Jason Mancini

May minutes approved as written

**Old Business:**

- Progress toward monitoring – all
  - Arnie and Bill monitored Snunock/Mains crossing (CE#5). Google Earth was monitored – no changes were noted from previous years. Pins were used to annotate the Google earth plot and saved to the binder. Letters were written to the property owners indicated that were in compliance and that the CE would be monitored again in 5 years. Action: Bill to check with Jim Russel to determine if all the CE borders can be delineated for our records.
- FireFly Farm July monitoring – Bill
  - No changes were noted.
- Borderlands monitoring – still needs to be written up - Doug
- Chester Main Bridle Trail monitoring update – Bill
  - To be scheduled
- Kayak/canoe trail update – Bill
  - April 1 is the date to start bridge construction so we are on hold for now. There is a meeting on July 2 meeting (NoSto, Stonington, Westerly) to talk about the trail and cleanup of the area.
- Interactive map corrected and placed at Chelsea-Groton Bank
  - 1 error was corrected. Currently at the Chelsea Groton Bank

**New Business:**

- Draft considerations to partner with Avalonia on land acquisition
  - See list on May minutes for consideration
- Pocket Park – looks good except for the blueberry bushes. A picture of the plants and a sample was submitted to the New London Master Gardener association to determine if they can identify what's the problem. We can replace the bushes in the Fall if need be – but if we do that, we should run a soil analysis beforehand.
- Land Acquisition Fund Ordinance – It has been proposed that NoSto develop an ordinance to detail how land can be acquired using the funds in the town's account. Since other towns may

have similar ordinances, all CC members are actioned to see what's out there that we can use as substrate. Separate email to address our homework.

Next meeting (July) is not convenient. August 8<sup>th</sup> is proposed for the next meeting. All CC members are action to get back to Bill with their availability for August 8<sup>th</sup>.

Correspondence: none

Adjournment: 6:55 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Steve Colgan, CC secretary