

Housatonic River Estuary Commission (HREC)

Representing the towns of Shelton, Milford, Orange, Stratford, Derby, and Ansonia, CT.

DRAFT - HREC Minutes

Regular meeting of the Housatonic River Estuary Commission

*Tuesday, September 16, 2014
6:30 PM, Parson's Complex, Milford, Connecticut*

1. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Bob Gesullo at 6:30 PM.

The members present were:

Bob Gesullo, Chairman - Shelton

Lori Romick, Vice-Chairman – Milford

Scott Corner – Member-at-Large

Eric Tashlein – Orange (newly appointed)

2. Public Portion (15 minute limit per guest)

No one from the public was in attendance.

3. Approval of the November 13, 2013 Minutes –

Minutes were not voted on.

4. Finance Report

Bob Gesullo reported that there was approximately \$5,000.00 in the account.

Website

Bob had the website payment made for \$60.00. Bill Rohland has updated the website remotely.

5. Membership update

- The group provided an overview of HREC to Eric, Orange's newly appointed representative member.
- Bob will check with Bill Rohland to see if he will continue on as Derby Commissioner and if not discuss the continuation needs for the website.
- Group discussed the need for a quorum at each meeting and the need for participation to move the commission forward.
- Both new mayors in Derby (Anita Dugatto) and in Ansonia (David Casseti) have received letters requesting the appointment of participating members. Bill Urban will need to resign in order to have a new member appointed. Bob will contact him and request his formal resignation if he will not be active.

- Stratford has a new water front commission chair, Edward Scinto. Scott will discuss HREC and the meetings with him. Bob will send letter to the Stratford Waterfront Commission requesting his attendance at HREC meetings.

8. Commissioner's Reports -

- Bob Gesullo - Shelton

Bob had nothing to report from Shelton.

- Lori Romick – Provided copies of the new Housatonic River public access waterfront trails booklet.
- Scott Corner - Scott discussed the river cleanup and the Stratford pump-out boat.

The issues of stickers in kayaks were discussed.

9. New Business - None

10. Old Business – None

11. Next meeting – Tentatively scheduled:

Tentatively - Tuesday, December 2, 2014 at 6:30 in Milford at the Parson's Government Center - Conference Room B on the 2nd floor.

Adjournment – 7:20 pm

*Respectfully submitted,
Lori Romick, Vice-chair, Milford Representative*

Bob Gesullo, Chair (Shelton) bobge@sbcglobal.net, Lori Romick, Vice Chair (Milford) lromick@optonline.net, William Rock (Stratford), William Rohland (Derby), William Urban (Ansonia), Scott Corner (Member-at-large), Vacant (Orange)