

**TOWN OF STONINGTON**  
**FLOOD PREVENTION, CLIMATE RESILIENCE AND EROSION CONTROL BOARD**

**MEETING MINUTES**

**REGULAR MEETING**

**February 20, 2024**

Members Present: Daniel Booker, Robert Mohr, David Rathbun, Dennis Unites

Alternate Members Present: Kathryn Burchenal, Eric Garofano

Town Board of Selectmen: Hon. Debbie Downie

Town Staff: Clifton Iler

Absent: Chris Houlihan

Call to Order at: 5:36 PM

- Mr. Rathbun called the meeting to order.
- Upon the motion of Mr. Booker as seconded by Mr. Unites, the minutes of the Regular Meeting held on January 16, 2024 were approved.

**Old Business**

- Mr. Iler indicated that a redline version of the draft zoning would be presented at a Zoom meeting on February 28. Mr. Rathbun expressed concern that the outdated information in the Town GIS did not provide a good basis for planning. Means of updating the information was discussed.
- The Stormwater utility was discussed and how it could encompass the differing needs of Mystic, the Borough, and Pawcatuck. It was suggested that the Board participate in a public education effort.
- Ms. Burchenal reported on a recent Green Bank webinar and noted that the program currently only funds conservation efforts by private home owners but funding for municipalities is anticipated in the future.
- Ms. Burchenal also noted a visit to the Borough by FEMA to view impacts of the January storms. It was suggested that if there were future visits by DEEP, issues regarding flooding associated with the new causeway for Saltaire Rd. be noted. These had been brought up by a member of the public at the January meeting.
- The Pawcatuck flood gate was discussed. It was noted that there is currently \$50,000 on the proposed budget for repairs. It was also noted that the problem is a broken hinge and that manual operation of the gate poses a worker safety issue.

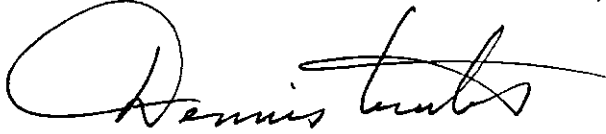
**New Business**

- None.

Comments from the Public: None

Comments from the Board: None

Upon the motion of Mr. Booker seconded by Mr. Mohr the meeting was adjourned at 6:40 P.M.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Dennis Unites". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a large initial "D" and a long, sweeping underline.

Dennis Unites, Acting secretary