CLIMATE CHANGE TASK FORCE

Town Of Stonington

Draft Meeting Minutes

Special Meeting

December 18, 2014 - 7:00 pm
Location: Community Service Room Department of Human Services
166 South Broad Street, Pawcatuck, Ct 06379

Present: Task Force members Jeffrey Callahan, Ed Hart, Susan Hibbard, Rick Newton, Thomas Norris.

Absent: Ian Camfield, David Rathbun

Town Employee: Scot Deledda, P.E. - Town Engineer

Guests: Residents MaryEllen Mateleska and Kelly Matis.

Call to order 7:00 PM

- Introductions
- Presentation by Dr. Adam Whelchel, Lead Scientist, Connecticut Chapter of the Nature Conservancy. Dr. Whelchel facilitated a brainstorming session designed to prod our task force to gain a better consensus of what our mission should be. January 2015 meeting topic will be to discuss the notes from this session and attempt to formulate a mission statement.
- Scot Deledda and Jeff Callahan will meet with new board of selectmen to determine if they want the task force to continue to meet and to see if they have any specific issues they'd like the task force concentrate on.
- Agreed on meeting schedule for 2015 (third Thursday of each month at this location).
- Elected Rick Newton as chairman of the task force and MaryEllen Mateleska agreed to become secretary once the board of selectmen formally appoints her to the task force.
- Task force members will seek out opportunities to attend neighboring town's climate change commission meetings (Old Saybrook is currently active).
- Susan Hibbard, MaryEllen Mateleska and Kelly Matis are attending CT DEEP / UCONN's Connecticut Institute for Resilience & Climate Adapation (CIRCA) "Living Shoreline Workshop – Part 1" on January 9, 2015 at the Avery Point campus.

Adjourn: 8:45 PM

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