

CLIMATE CHANGE TASK FORCE

Town Of Stonington

AGENDA

Regular Meeting

July 19, 2018 – 7:00 pm

Location: Community Service Room – Department of Human Services
166 South Broad Street, Pawcatuck, CT 06379

1. Call to order 7:00 PM
2. Approval of draft regular meeting minutes: May 17, 2018
3. Letter to selectmen – re: Flood and Erosion Control board – no response
4. Public awareness / outreach:
 - a. Build pdf pages to be linked to task force page on town website
 - b. Public lectures ???
 - c. Future PZC public hearing: PZ1819RA Town of Stonington P&Z Commission - Regulation Text Amendment to modify the definition of the term "Substantial Improvement" as it relates to modifications in flood hazard areas, specifically, to add an exemption for historic structures as allowed in FEMA's definition of "Substantial Improvement."
 - d. PZ1815RA Robert Walker & Lindsay Chamberlain (W. Sweeney) – Regulation Text Amendment to modify the provisions of ZR 7.3.5 24-foot design height limitation in coastal areas to allow, by Special Use Permit, a structure with the height limits established in ZR Sections 5.1.1 and 5.2.1.
Public Hearing set for 8/7/18.
5. Items in the news:
 - a. UCONN CIRCA press release – June 28, 2018 - awarded \$8M grant for Coastal Resilience planning in Fairfield and New Haven Counties:
<https://circa.uconn.edu/2018/06/28/university-of-connecticut-receives-grant-award-from-the-department-of-housing/>
 - b. USACE considering storm barrier for New York harbor / Hudson River -
<http://www.nan.usace.army.mil/Media/Fact-Sheets/Fact-Sheet-Article-View/Article/644997/fact-sheet-new-yorknew-jersey-harbor-tributaries-focus-area-feasibility-study/>
 - c. ecoRI – June 24, 2018 – "Planners Concerned New Rules Could McMansion RI's Coast" <https://www.ecori.org/smart-growth/2018/6/22/planners-concerned-new-rules-could-mcmansion-ris-coast>
 - d. PBS Newshour Weekend – July 14, 2018 – Living shorelines video
<https://www.pbs.org/newshour/show/living-shorelines-use-oyster-shells-and-marsh-grass-to-reverse-coastal-erosion>
6. NE Regional Climate Center –
Details for Bridgeport and Hartford can be found in the blog:
<http://www.nrcc.cornell.edu/services/blog/2018/06/04/index.html>
7. Comments from public / open discussion

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8. Adjournment

Stonington residents and others with an interest are invited to attend the monthly meetings and participate in the discussions.