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CLIMATE CHANGE TASK FORCE

Town Of Stonington

AGENDA

Special Meeting

NEW LOCATION: District Office (former Pawcatuck Middle School)

July 15, 2021 – 7:00 pm

Note: per First Selectman's direction, virtual meetings are no longer permitted. Meeting location was also changed by First Selectmen to allow for proper social distancing

1. Call to order 7:00 PM
2. Approval of draft special meeting minutes: May 20, 2021
3. Correspondence:
 - a. email from Eastern Connecticut Conservation District (Maura Robie) requesting letter of support for Long Island Sound Futures Fund grant for installing rain gardens and riparian buffers along Pollinator Pathways in 5 area towns (letter sent May 27, 2021)
 - b. email from Jason Hine regarding Stonington Climate Change Declaration and reply from First Selectman – July 1, 2021
 - c. email from Pam McDonald regarding webinar on Performance-Based Regulation of electrical utilities – July 1, 2021
4. Climate Emergency Declaration – update
 - a. SCCOG region-wide (22 towns) declaration approved May 24, 2021
5. Priorities list requested by Board of Selectmen - updated
6. Proposed changes to Flood, Erosion and Control Board town ordinance (draft)
7. Future of Climate Change Task Force
8. Public awareness / outreach / conferences
 - a. NASA – SEA LEVEL CHANGE – Study Projects a Surge in Coastal Flooding, Starting in 2030s – July 7, 2021 <https://go.nasa.gov/3epDkXd>
 - b. EcoWatch – BC Heat Wave Caused Over 1 Billion Tidal Creatures To Cook To Death, Scientist Says – July 7, 2021 <https://bit.ly/3i0i632>
 - c. PBS Newshour - A Leaked UN Report Warns "Worst Is Yet To Come" On Climate Change. Here's How You Can Help – June 23, 2021 <https://to.pbs.org/36uR8v2>
9. Comments from task force members / public / open discussion
10. Adjournment

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

"The climate crisis will be orders of magnitude worse than the pandemic if we do not take the action that we can still take to avert the tragedy that we see coming towards us" -Tom Rivett-Carnac (Ted Radio Hour / Climate Mindset / May 22, 2020)