



## **Wood-Pawcatuck Watershed Wild and Scenic Rivers Study Committee**

***October 26, 2016***

***7 pm to 9 pm***

***WPWA Campus, 203 Arcadia Road, Hope Valley, RI 02832***

### Call to Order

### Presentation

1. Habitat quality in the Wood-Pawcatuck Watershed by Christopher Raithel, Senior Wildlife Biologist with RI Department of Environmental Management

### Approval of Minutes of 6 Oct meeting

### Financial Report

1. Denise's report:
  - a. On 18 Oct 16, Sposato approved a total of 93 hours for Denise for the periods ending 25 Aug, 8 Sep, 22 Sep and 6 Oct for a total of \$3255.00
  - b. To date for the fiscal year, Denise has worked a total of 488 hours, totaling \$17,325.00

### Subcommittee Reports

1. Outreach Subcommittee
  - a. Rack cards
  - b. Web Site Design.
    - i. Any further comments on sample web sites provided by Denise?
    - ii. Wpwa.org
    - iii. Wrwc.org
    - iv. Exploreri.org
    - v. RIEEA.org
    - vi. themoshassuck.org
    - vii. lampreyriver.org
    - viii. eightmileriver.org
    - musconetcong.org

### Old Business

1. Recruiting more members to the committee
2. New England Rivers Study Committees meeting Dec. 9, 2016 from 10 am to 2 pm at the Nashua River Watershed River Watershed Association 592 Main Street, Groton, MA 01450

### New Business

1. Representation from the towns of East Greenwich and Coventry
  - a. No participation
  - b. Only small area of watershed falls in these townships
  - c. Do we want to remove from Study Committee?
2. Revising number of towns needed for a quorum, if East Greenwich and Coventry removed
3. Role of subcommittees
4. Subcommittee membership
5. Sharing communication to towns with committee members
6. Nomination and Election of new Committee chair

### Informational Items

1. Denise is attending “Managing Visitors Use in Protected Areas” workshop which is being taught by expert instructors from NOAA's Office for Coastal Management. Resources from this workshop may be helpful when the committee begins writing the management plan.

Schedule Next Meeting (week of 28 November)

Adjourn