

Charlestown Climate Resiliency Commission

07/11/24 Regular Meeting



- 1) **Call to Order:** 5:03pm
- 2) **Attendance:** D. Prescott, S. Racine, C. Beasley, M. Viola, K. Larrabee, S. Frattini
- 3) **Approval of Minutes:** May 9th 2024 & June 13th 2024 Motion by K. Larrabee, 2nd by M. Viola, approved by all.
- 4) **Public Communications:** (none)
- 5) **Wildfire Safety Follow Up Discussion:** C. Beasley spoke with Pat Mckeegan (sp?) about state's preparedness for wildfires. The State has been upgrading equipment and has focused its limited resources primarily on Arcadia Mgt Area because that is one of the largest forested holdings in Southern RI. This season there has been a low occurrence of fires because of the wet weather.
- 6) **Mid-Year Review:** Commission should consider another whiteboard brainstorming session for selecting topics going forward. Carrying capacity of the town to support groundwater stressors should be a focus of the Commission going forward. Are the current town zoning and building regulations robust enough to protect the resource? This includes septic systems. Should the town consider metering/budgeting private well water? Revisit student engagement in educational outreach of the Commission.
- 7) **August Meeting Agenda:** IT support for Commission outreach. Building Official Warner to talk about the CRS (community rating system) program and how CCRC efforts help improve the town's rating.
- 8) **Commissioner Updates:** (none)
- 9) **Adjournment:** D. Prescott made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:13pm, 2nd by K. Larrabee, approved by all.

Minutes Recorded & Submitted Electronically by C. Fox