

**City of Norwalk
Mayor's Water Quality Committee Meeting
July 11, 2019
Minutes**

CALL TO ORDER 6:03 PM

ATTENDANCE

Members: Steve Bartush, Joe Schnierlein, Dick Harris, Diane Lauricella, John Romano, Jim Bartley, John Crespo

Staff: Thomas Closter

Guests: Officer Michael Silva

PUBLIC COMMENT

None

MINUTES OF LAST MEETING

Motion to Approve by Steve Bartush, second by John Crespo. Unanimous Vote.

DISCUSSION

- 1) Chairman Schnierlein said there has been no new update or any communication regarding Eversource's proposal for the transmission cables.
- 2) Chairman Schnierlein discussed the accidental clearing of trees by Recreation & Parks at the riverbank at Oyster Shell Park. NRWA is working on replacing the plants and adopting the area to keep it clear of invasives. The replanting plan will include stabilization (broadcast seed across entire area to stop erosion and inhibit invasive plant growth), planting (willows, staghorn sumac, winterberry, spicebush, witch hazel, arrowwood viburnum, blueberries, buttonbush, dogwood, pine, maple), ongoing invasives control and signage.
- 3) Chairman Schnierlein discussed the water quality monitors installed by the Department of Transportation at the Police Dock and would like to find out how to request data from the monitors. Also would like Consultant (Professor Hart), to be able to review data and provide recommendations.
- 4) Chairman Schnierlein talked about the Norwalk River Watershed Initiative and how a meeting of the representatives from the watershed towns and the State and Federal agencies can be convened to re-establish the initiative.
- 5) Next meeting scheduled for Thursday, August 1, 2019 at 6:00pm in the Health Department.

Motion to adjourn meeting by Diane Lauricella, second by Steve Bartush 6:51pm

Minutes by Thomas Closter