#### **EX-OFFICIO MEMBERS:**

Ned Lamont, Governor Paul Cicarella, Jr, State Senator Liz Linehan, State Representative Vincent Candelora, State Representative Craig C. Fishbein, State Representative Richard Blumenthal, US Senator Christopher Murphy, US Senator Rosa L. DeLauro, US Representative

William W. Dickinson, Jr., Mayor TOWN COUNCILORS: Vincent Cervoni, Chairman Thomas Laffin Vice-Chairman Christina Tatta Craig C. Fishbein Vincent F. Testa, Jr. Autumn Allinson Joseph Morrone Jason Zandri Samuel Carmody



**ADVISORY COMMITTEE OF WALLINGFORD, CT** 

#### **CO-CHAIRPERSONS:**

Cathy Granucci Mary Mushinsky, State Representative

www.qRiverTrail.org

Mailing Address: P O Box 6017 Wallingford, CT 06492

Minutes of Meeting January 4, 2024

Item 1: Call To Order The QRLTAC was called to order at 7:00

Item 2: Guests and New Members Larry Kellogg (Guest) Rosemary Pilch (Guest)

### Item 3: Approve & Accept Minutes from November 2, 2023 Motion: Fred Nellums; Seconded: Larry Zabrowski; Motion: Passed

#### **Item 4: Co-Chairs Announcements**

Cathy, Mary, and Robin finalized the bank account transfer to the new Ion Bank from Wells Fargo. The last few transactions were finalized.

The state bond commission reworded the grant using broader language that now allows for a connection from the tip of the bridge to Main Street in Yalesville.

The agenda for the Tuesday, January 23, 2024 town council meeting will include an item to accept the Urban Act grant for \$690K. The town is required to hold a public hearing which will be scheduled in late January or early February 2024.

Mary noted that there are several steps that still must be followed, including permitting, The bids will go out in February 2025, received in April, construction to follow.

DEEP is accepting applications for "Trail Improvements" up to March 2024. Possibly restore the 24" stone dust jogging path with materials and labor? Maybe purchase land for expansion?

Parks & Rec has installed four new dog waste bag dispensers, along with trash barrels.

Cathy suggested the following events for the calendar year 2024:

April 22: Monday, Earth Day cleanup the Sunday before (rain date Sunday April 28); with maybe a short program to tie in.

May 4, Saturday National Labyrinth Day with Owls? Evening or early afternoon?

June 1, Saturday: National Trails Day, possible kids' scavenger hunt, walking tour during turtle nesting season.

October 5 & 6: Celebrate Wallingford October 26: Autumn Cleanup, rain date Oct 27. December 1: Sunday, Horse & Carriage.

## Item 5: Town Engineer Report

The Town Engineer gave verbal update to Mary Mushinsky regarding next steps to connect Fireworks Island to Main St. (Route 150).

# Item 6: Sub-committee Reports

Treasurer's report: Transferred to ION Bank Corporate Operating: \$7,462.89. Construction \$ 11,151.70.

Item 7: Public Q & A None.

Item 8: Other Business None.

Item 9: Next Regular Meeting Thursday, February 1, 2024

Item 10: Adjournment The QRLTAC adjourned at 8:21 PM Motion: Jonathan; Seconded: Sally ; Motion: Passed