To: All Stony Creek Association members

From: Dan Bullard, President of Stony Creek Association

Your board members this year are: Dan Bullard, President; Robert Babcock; Deborah DeFord; Theodore Ells; Harlan Fichtenholtz; Ed Gagliardi; Jake Greenvall; Diane Latkowski; Hannah Purdy; Linda Reed; and Mark Richter.

Our tax collector is Nick Fischer and our treasurer is Greg Ames.

The auditors are Charles Torre and Charles Possidente.

The clerk has been Hannah Purdy.

A reminder about Stony Creek septic systems: the East Shore Health District (ESHD) recommends having septic tanks pumped every three (3) years. The Town of Branford subsidizes a pump out every three years for \$25. Contact the Engineering Department at (203) 315-0606.

The big event is the upcoming election. Due to Covid-19 there will be no open polling venue. The entire election will be mail-in using our existing absentee ballot system. There will be a June 2<sup>nd</sup> Zoom meeting at 7 p.m. to accept additional nominations, followed by the annual SCA meeting at 7:30 p.m.

Following June 2<sup>nd</sup>, we will mail to each eligible voter both an absentee ballot and the candidate information.

The absentee ballot has two envelopes. The first is the confidential ballot envelope into which you will insert the ballot. This is then mailed in a second envelope to a special Stony Creek post office box. For a ballot to be counted, it must be signed and postmarked on or before July 6<sup>th</sup> 2020. All envelopes will be held unopened in the post office box until July 17<sup>th</sup>, when they will be tallied over the weekend. Prior to being tallied, they will be cross-referenced with the voter list. The results will be available Monday, July 20<sup>th</sup>. We will need volunteer help with this process by non-candidates. The time between the postmark of July 6<sup>th</sup> and the tallying July 17<sup>th</sup> is to allow for any delays in the post office delivery system. The July meeting will be postponed to July 21<sup>st</sup>, 2020, which will welcome the next board.

If you are interested in running for the board, we encourage you to write to <a href="mailto:sca06405@gmail.com">sca06405@gmail.com</a> to add your name to the list.

This is a difficult time to say the least. We will do our very best to have the best election possible. We are able to check that non-members do not vote, but we cannot be positive that we will not have missed some who are eligible. If you or someone you know believes they should be eligible to vote and have not received a ballot by July 1st, please email <a href="mailto:sca06405@gmail.com">sca06405@gmail.com</a> or call 203 208 4077 and speak with Hannah. A ballot will be delivered to you.

We are also using this opportunity to update our system for future communication. Please fill out the enclosed postcard with the contact information for all members of your household 18 years or older. This will help with future communications from the Board.

Once more, we do need volunteers the weekend of July  $17^{th} - 19^{th}$  to tally votes. This can be done in the safety of your home. Again, this cannot be a candidate. Please give us a call or send an email.

I am sure I speak for the entire board when I say: as always and especially now we are appreciative and grateful for the opportunity to be of service to the association.

Sincerely,

Dan Bullard