

STONY CREEK ASSOCIATION

Executive Board Meeting – Revised Draft Minutes Oct 27, 2025

Date: October 7, 2025

Time: 7:00 PM

Location: Willoughby Wallace Memorial Library, Stony Creek, CT

Minutes Taken By: Randi O'Brien

1. Call to Order

Meeting called to order at 7:00 PM by Chairperson Dan Bullard. Minutes recorded by Randi O'Brien.

2. Attendance

Present: Dan Bullard, Tim Barry, Randi O'Brien, Nancy Davidson, Kate Waldron, Mark Gaynor, Isa Cabot deCossy (Tardy), Matt Milano, Mark Richter

Absent:** Clara Pagliaro, Amy Bloom, Brian Love, Harlan Fichtenholz

Public Present: 13

3. Approval of Agenda

A motion was made by Matt Milano to amend the agenda to include Dredging of the Harbor.

The amended agenda was approved, and the order was adjusted to move The Property at 4 Elms and the Traffic and Police Report to the top of the agenda. Second ?

Vote: Approved unanimously.

4. Property at 4 Elms

Dan Bullard reported speaking with Joe Gaudio, partner in 4 Three Elms, who stated a proposal is expected within the next few weeks.

5. Police and Traffic Report

Public attendance at the Branford Police Board Traffic Commission was helpful in resolving the “No Parking This Side of Street” issue.

Town Engineer’s plan will move the line east and stripe No Parking from the bridge to the driveway, creating 5–6 new spaces.

Report by Randi O’Brien on the 9/8 Branford Police Board Traffic Commission Meeting:

25ft no parking on both sides of crosswalks for ADA compliance was discussed and Patti Austin stated that it is a project in process and that eliminating more parking spaces would detrimentally affect revenue for businesses and tourism.

Recommended 2 signs at beach; “NO KAYAK LOADING AND UNLOADING” and “ 10 MINUTE PASSENGER LOADING AND UNLOADING”

The Board said they will look into it. Discussion arose regarding moving kayak loading by the ball field. Dan contacted State Rep Moira and Senator Cohen regarding this but no response yet

Enforcement of 4hr Boat Docking at Town Dock improved with increased ticketing

The Board will look for all Stony Creek Traffic Studies on File

There was discussion regarding the 25ft crosswalk setback. The Business community and other members of the public stated they do not want any

parking spaces eliminated. Randi O'Brien and Ed Gagliardi felt that Public Safety should be the priority. Mark Richter suggested a 4ft bump out at crosswalks to improve visibility and maintain parking spaces

Linda Reed stated the crosswalk from the Triangle to the Post office needs to be restored. She also recommended the need for a crosswalk at the bottom of Squaw Brook to the water side of TIR. The Crosswalk at Watrous and School street needs to be improved. Linda Reed also recommended a 4way stop sign at School St and Watrous.

6. Dredging Project

Brian Infantino reported that the Army Corps of Engineers is performing the federally funded dredging project from October 1, 2025, to January 15, 2026. The project spans from Wheelers Island (100 ft wide, 6 ft deep) to the dock at 184 Thimble Island Road, There will be a 300 ft wide, and 6 ft deep turning circle at the end.

7. Tax Collector Fee

There was much discussion regarding the fee for Tax Collector. Both Ed Galiardi and Mark Richter calculated the fee differently. Ed distributed a letter he wrote describing his calculations to those present. A copy is available at WWML in SCA Files. Ultimately, Tim Barry made a motion to pay the Tax Collector an annual fee of \$2200.00 and Randi O'Brien seconded the motion.

Vote: Approved unanimously.

8. Treasurer's Report

In the absence of Brian Love, Randi O'Brien presented the Treasurer's Report.

Total bills for October: \$336.41

Motion to send to auditors: Mark Gaynor Second: Kate Waldron

Vote: Approved unanimously

9. Tax Collector's Report

Mark Richter reported 80% of all taxes collected and deposited 416 bills issued; 79 remain outstanding.**

10. Legal and Zoning

Kate Waldron reported that Richard Brooks of 39 Prospect Hill applied for a *Special Exception* and *Coastal Site Plan* for an accessory structure

Linda Reed questioned whether a *Special Use Permit* exists for the Farmers Market. Discussion deferred until Clara Pagliaro is present.

11. Town Representative Report

No report.

12. Maintenance

Sandy Fischer reported that a dead tree at Madeira will be removed by Darren.

Flowers at Bayview and Triangle will be removed; reimbursement requested.

Nancy Davidson noted damaged garbage receptacles; Isa Cabot deCossy suggested more receptacles at both ends of Trolley Trail.

Sandy Fischer proposed a **"Take Out What You Take In" policy.

13. Special Events Committee

Stony Creek Day was well attended until rain arrived.

Matt Milano requested feedback for improvements.

****Tree Lighting Ceremony scheduled for December 7, 2025.****

14. By-Laws Committee

No meeting date set.

15. New Business

Mark Gaynor will follow up with Michelle (*Taken for Granite*) regarding the Welcome Sign.

Mark noted an evergreen tree at 3 Elms and Thimble Island Road obstructs visibility.

Dan Bullard and Nancy Davidson will create a ****Welcome Book for New Residents.****

16. Adjournment

Motion by Mark Gaynor to adjourn made at 8:19 PM. Seconded by Tim Barry.

Vote:Approved unanimously.

Meeting adjourned at 8:19 PM.

****Respectfully Submitted,****

Randi O'Brien

Recording Secretary

****Date Minutes Filed:**** October 14, 2025 (within 7 days per CGS §1-225).

FOIA Compliance Checklist

Requirement	Status
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Date, time, and location included	✓
Attendance recorded	✓
Summary of discussions	✓
Motions and votes recorded	✓
Filed within 7 days	✓
Executive session noted (none held)	✓