

FARMINGTON RIVER COORDINATING COMMITTEE

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Education and Outreach sub-committee

February 5, 2024 Minutes

Called to order at 4:01pm - Zoom meeting

<u>In attendance:</u> Dan Bowler (Hartland), Roger Behrens and Mario Santoro (Barkhamsted) Stephan Bastryzcki (River Steward), Andrew Petitdemange (NPS), Laura Hart (FRWA)

<u>Workplan draft for 2025:</u> Discussion, move other and travel into contractual for River Stewards, potentially add \$1,000 to \$2,000 additional for travel expenses. Kiosks has obligated funds of \$9,356, which should be sufficient and likely this project and the Jr. River Ranger project will both be complete before the next budget. Potential to increase River Steward program in the future to add more resource stewardship activities. Draft due end of March.

<u>Publications:</u> Colebrook Dam one-pager discussion. Just edit the what you can do section, then ready to distribute. Annual report draft good, Roger to finish writing cover letter.

<u>Kiosks</u>: Riverton and Greenwoods done from Mary, next is Whittimore. Stephan to add in the two circular callouts for aerial orthomosaics for Collinsville (close-ups of the dam and boat launch area from above mapped with a drone) into the map. Late April planned opening/celebration of boat launch, plus to honor David. Contact Town to get the kiosk and front panel up, since the back panel will take longer due to maps needed.

Quilt: Quilt in Hartland Town Hall (14 first panels) until end of Feb/early March. MaryPat to re-work the description part to match the new Lower Farmington River Quilt (expected end of the year).

<u>Junior River Ranger:</u> Booklets update found graphic designer, recommended by Linda Goldsmith who did the first edition. Working group to meet soon for next revisions.

River Stewards: 3 returning steward, plus a friend already interested. Position updated on FarmingtonRiverSteward.org site, and deadline March 30th (may extend).

Other: continued flow discussions and recap of USACE presentation.

Adjourned 5:08pm ----