



Meeting Agenda

Wednesday, March 11 - 9 to 10:30
Valley United Way
54 Grove Street, Shelton, CT 06484

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Let's Leave Today's Meeting With:

- Information about the Naugatuck Valley CEDS
- An understanding of how the NRG can help support economic development.
- Some priority trail sections for action.

9:00 – Introductions

9:05 – Economic Development/ CEDS

- The Naugatuck Valley Corridor Comprehensive Economic Development Strategy (CEDS) – Jimmy Ryan and Sheila O'Malley
- Trails, Place Making, and Economic Development - Laura Brown
- NRG Economic Impact Study – Aaron Budris/ Mark Nielsen

9:30 – Priority Trail Sections – Discussion about setting priorities for future funding opportunities

- For Design
- For Construction

9:40 – Paddle

- Proposal for a Naugatuck River Paddle Guide- John Monroe
- 2015 paddle day

9:50 – Updates

- Uniform Signage – John Monroe
- Watertown/Thomaston – Chuck Berger
- Waterbury/ TIGER/ Phase I – Kathy McNamara

10:00 – NaugatuckRiver.net

- Overview of the live website – Sam Dziekan
- Maintenance and funding going forward

10:10 – News and Upcoming Events – Committee Round Table

- Review of the January workshop Torrington Walks! – Rista Malanca and John Monroe
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10:25 – Wrap-Up

- Next Meeting – May 13, Location TBD

10:30 – Adjourn

“The Naugatuck River from Torrington to Derby is rich with history, stunning scenery and wildlife. Just as the river built and shaped our towns and cities, the Naugatuck River Greenway will be a driving force for the next century and beyond.

Our mission is to harness the vitality and protect the health of the river for economic development and quality of life for all.”

Naugatuck River Greenway Steering Committee

Aaron Budris- Naugatuck Valley Council of Governments
Bill Purcell - Valley Chamber of Commerce
Bob Gregorski - Naugatuck River Watershed Association & Trout Unlimited
Christopher Way - US Army Corps of Engineers
Chuck Berger - Watertown Town Engineer
Clifford Cooper - Litchfield Community Greenway
Dave Faber - CT Outdoors (outfitter in Watertown)
Elaine LaBella - Housatonic Valley Association Land Protection Director
Fred Messore - Town of Seymour
Ingrid Manning – formerly of CT Community Foundation
Jack Walsh - Valley United Way
Jim MacBroom – Milone and MacBroom
Jim O'Rourke - Waterbury Y
Jim Stewart - Naugatuck Borough Engineer
Jim Whitney - Western CT Convention & Visitors Bureau
Joan Kirchner - Harwinton Conservation Commission
Jolene Podgorski - Watertown DPW
John Monroe – National Park Service: Rivers & Trails Program
Josh Carey – Connecticut Community Foundation
Kate Rattan - CT DOT Bicycle/Pedestrian Coordinator
Kathy McNamara - City of Waterbury
Kevin Zak – Naugatuck River Revival Group & Housatonic Valley Association
Laura Wildman – Princeton Hydro
Laurie Giannotti - CT DEEP Greenways
Liz Falzone - Beacon Falls – Citizens for Tomorrow's Downtown
Mark Jewell – VHB, Inc (CT DOT)
Maura Martin - Thomaston Trails Committee
Mark Nielsen – Naugatuck Valley Council of Governments
Mike Jastremski – Housatonic Valley Association
Peter Kisselburgh – Thomaston Trails Committee
Ray Leite - Digital Arts Program at Naugatuck Valley Community College
Rich Minnick – Beacon Falls
Richard Knoll – TEAM Inc. (Community Action agency in Ansonia)
Rista Malanca - Torrington
Sam Dziekan - Housatonic Valley Association
Sam Gold - Emeritus
Sheila O'Malley – City of Ansonia
Susan Peterson - CT DEEP Watershed Management Program
Vicki Barnes - Watertown - Steele Brook Rangers
Vincent Gualtieri - US Army Corps of Engineers
Vinnie Scarlata – Ansonia Economic Development Commission
Will Cummings – Thomaston Trail Committee