



**FRCC Monthly Meeting**  
**7:00 PM, December 16, 2024**  
**Roger Behrens' House**

Attendees:

Roger Behrens (Chair/Barkhamsted)	Torrey Collins (FRAA)
Mario Santoro (Vice Chair/Barkhamsted)	Jim Buchok (FVTU)
Matt Vinick (Treasurer/Canton)	Tom Carpenter (Secretary/FVTU - Alt)
Alison Jassen (Resource Chair/Colebrook)	Mary Pat Leger – Farmington River Quilt
Dan Bowler (E&O Chair/Hartland)	
Stephan Bastryzcki (River Stewards)	

Roger Behrens called the meeting to order at 7:48 PM

## November Minutes

Approved without discussion

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## Treasurer's Report

- We are in year 3 of our 5-year cooperative agreement
- 11/13-12/9/24 Expenses total \$9,889: \$5,854 to All Habitat Services for bittersweet removal in PSF; \$2,035 final invoice for Barkhamsted River Day grant; \$2,000 to FRWA for Wild & Scenic Film Festival

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## Subcommittees

### Executive

- No Update

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## Education and Outreach

### Quilt

- Guest Mary Pat Leger, Farmington River Quilt coordinator
- The due date for the completion of the Lower Farmington/Salmon Brook panels is January 15, 2025

### Map

- Meeting on January 13 before the E&O meeting to review the maps

### Monofilament Receptacles

- The printer finalized the art. They are projected to last ten years or more
- The printer who was used for the kiosks was contacted. Their product will last longer than ten years

## Kiosks

- Are finished and went to the shipper
  - Bike trail map –DEEP to finalize the routes/trails
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## Resource

### Invasive Plant Management

- Contacting Jerry Milne to see if there are other projects
- Besty Corrigan to train river stewards
- Christian Allen
  - Consideration for him to speak to FRCC full committee. Speaker's fee is \$300
  - There was a discussion to have him present a plan on removing Japanese Knotweed
- FRCC to consider an invasive booklet for property owners
  - Tom to get copies of Simsbury Land trust's recently produced book for the FRCC members to review
  - [simsburylandtrust.org/slt/wp-content/uploads/2024/09/InvasivesBooklet2023-9.3.pdf](https://simsburylandtrust.org/slt/wp-content/uploads/2024/09/InvasivesBooklet2023-9.3.pdf)

Grants- none

### Water Quality Monitoring

- The water quality report will be finished in January and should be ready to share/report in February

### Culverts

- Ratlum Brook – FVTU (Buchok & Carpenter) to do a stream walk to evaluate when the weather and water conditions permit
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## New Business

- A \$4,000 grant request from Fred Jones (Hartland) will be submitted to the Resource sub-committee to fund their natural resource inventory
  - The David Sinish film, produced by Matt V, was submitted for consideration to be included in the 2025 Wild & Scenic film festival, and has been officially selected for 2025
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## Town Updates

- Barkhamsted: No update
  - Canton: No update
  - Colebrook: No update
  - Hartland: No update
  - New Hartford: No update
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## Organization Updates

- MDC: No update
- CT DEEP: No update
- NPS: No update
- FRWA: No update
- FRAA: No update

- FVTU
  - High-tech HOB0 will be delivered in 3-4 weeks
  - Location will be behind Up Country
- River Steward: No update

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## Upcoming Meetings

- Next meeting dates – all have been moved due to holidays
  - Full committee: January 27, 2025
  - Subcommittees:
    - Education & Outreach: Monday, January 13, 2025 at 4:30 PM by Zoom
      - The river maps meeting will start at 4:00
    - Resource Stewardship: Wednesday January 8, 2025 at 4:30 PM by Zoom

**Adjourn: 8:25 PM**