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The Rhode Island Clean Water Association held a General Business Meeting July 13, 2023. President Peter Connell called the meeting to order at 5:01 pm.

Board members in attendance: President Peter Connell, Vice President Jeff Chapdelaine, Secretary Kim Sandbach, Scott Goodinson, Paul Desrosiers, David Perrotta, Kevin Regan, Eli Hannon, Janine Burke-Wells, and Tracy Santoro.

All in attendance reviewed the June 2023 minutes. A motion to accept the minutes as presented was made by Mr. Goodinson and seconded by Mr. Perrotta. All members voted in favor of the motion.

Officers Report

President - Mr. Connell will be commenting throughout.

Vice President – Mr. Chapdelaine will comment throughout.

Treasurer – Ms. Lough was excused from the meeting. Mr. Connell presented the June budget. A motion to accept the budget was made by Ms. Burke-Wells and seconded by Mr. Chapdelaine. All members voted in favor of the motion.

Secretary - Ms. Sandbach will comment throughout

State Director - Mr. Davies was excused from the meeting.

Certification Director – Mr. Desrosiers announced there was no meeting for the month of July and the next meeting is August 2, 2023.

Old Business

1. Ops Challenge – Mr. Davies has started the fundraising for the team to compete at WEFTEC.
2. Golf Outing – Mr. Connell is waiting for the last golf payments. Additional costs include golf balls for goodie bags. Overall, the outing made a profit just under \$7,500.00.
3. Trade Show – Mr. Puglia from DEM confirmed a Superintendent’s meeting will take place during the trade show. The NEWEA Executive Committee meeting is scheduled for 10:30 am. Mr. Chapdelaine and Ms. Sandbach will send emails out to vendors and the membership.
4. Chowder Cook-off – Mr. Goodinson is looking for a grill to use at the chowder cook off. He is hoping to borrow one or it will have to be rented.
5. Membership – To date, there are about 346 members. Membership renewals are still coming in.
6. Training – There is no planned training as of right now. Mr. Perrotta was looking for a blueprint instructor. Ms. Lough will hold a basic micro class in the fall or at the trade show.

New Business

1. Scholarship – Ms. Sandbach will send out another reminder email for scholarship applicants.
2. Awards Banquet – Mr. Connell is finalizing the expenses and profit from the awards banquet.

Open Forum

1. Mr. Chapdelaine made a motion to adjourn at 5:49 pm and was seconded by Ms. Burke-Wells.

Respectfully submitted,
Kim Sandbach
Secretary