

Neighborhood Revitalization Zone Steering Committee
Rescheduled
Special Meeting
4-5 p.m. Thursday, March 29, 2012
ACCESS Agency 1315 Main St, Willimantic CT

Note: The NRZ Steering Committee may take action on any of these agenda items.

1. Call to order – 4 p.m.
2. Opportunity for public to speak
3. New Business:
 - a. Rental property owners request for NRZ support regarding waiver of application of certain housing codes. (15 min. time limit)
 - b. Opportunity to nominate new members of NRZ Steering Committee, and vote on nominations.
 - b. Discussion of whether to change meeting day to another day of the week and possibly meet later –*Thursday was chosen when the NRZ had a participating town staff member (Ted Montgomery) and met in the now defunct Economic Development office, because town offices remain open late on Thursdays. Since the town is no longer delegating a staff member to attend NRZ meetings, we should consider a date/time that is convenient to NRZ members and the community at large.*
 - c. Discussion of mini-grants/loans in partnership with a local bank.
 - d. Sharing a booth with another community group at Third Thursday festivals to attract new members/projects.
4. Old Business:
 - a. Accepting minutes from Feb. 9 2012 Special Meeting.
 - b. Update on community garden (Andrew Seeling): involvement by St. Paul’s Church
 - c. Updating Strategic Plan – choosing two points of focus for 2012 (i.e. affordable food, affordable housing) and working with existing groups (i.e. CliCK community kitchen, the Willimantic Farmers Market, the town committee on urban agriculture), setting benchmarks for projects, streamlining updated plan – setting a deadline for completing and submitting to the state.
5. Treasurer’s Report (Roger Morin)
6. Opportunity to bring up new business or agenda items for next meeting

7. Adjourn – 5 p.m.

Submitted March 27, 2012 by NRZ Steering Committee Chair Brenda Sullivan

The Natchaug-Willimantic Neighborhood Revitalization Zone (NRZ) is a wonderful patchwork quilt of historic buildings and facades, and neighborhoods with an ethnic, social and financial diversity second to no other city in Connecticut. It includes a significant area stretching from the Windham Mills to the Town Hall and the adjacent neighborhood of Milk and Union Streets. For more info, find (and “like”) us on Facebook at

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/120042431383856> or contact NRZ Chair Brenda Sullivan at 860-942-8367.