

**Conservation Commission Minutes
Tuesday, June 12, 2012
Town Hall Meeting Room, Old Town Rd.
5:30pm**

Present: Members: Chair Ned Phillips Jr., Vice Chair John Hopf, Fred Leeder, Marea Mott, Leslie Slate, David Roosa and Donald Littlefield. Also present was Terri Chmiel, Land Use Assistant for the recording of the minutes.

Call to Order

Chair Mr. Phillips, Jr. called the meeting to order at 5:30p.m.

Approval of Minutes of March 13, 2012

Mr. Phillips Jr. made a motion seconded by Mr. Slate to approve the minutes of March 13, 2012 as presented.

6 Ayes (Phillips, Hopf, Mott, Slate, Littlefield and Roosa) 0 Nays
1 Absent (Leeder)

Approval of Minutes of April 3, 2012

Mr. Littlefield made a motion seconded by Mr. Phillips, Jr. to approve the minutes of April 3, 2012 as presented.

6 Ayes (Phillips, Hopf, Mott, Slate, Littlefield and Roosa) 0 Nays
1 Absent (Leeder)

Mr. Leeder joined the meeting.

Request by the Chair for suggestions to be discussed at the July meeting.

Mr. Phillips, Jr. asked the Commissioners to email ideas to Terri Chmiel for agenda placement and discussion. Mr. Roosa suggested a deposit for beach fire permits.

Old Business

a. Discuss Tree Preservation and Protection on Block Island

Mr. Phillips, Jr. asked the Commissioners to look at the Newport Tree Ordinance for discussion at the next meeting. Approved changes will be presented to the Town Council.

b. Snow Fencing

The Commissioners will install the last rolls of snow fencing.

Election of Officers

A motion was made by Mr. Hopf and seconded by Mr. Slate to nominate Mr. Phillips, Jr. as chair for the Conservation Commission.

Mr. Leeder volunteered to act as Vice Chair for the Conservation Commission.

A motion was made by Mr. Phillips, Jr. and seconded by Ms. Mott to nominate Vice-Chair Mr. Leeder for the Conservation Commission. The motions carried with all in favor.

7 Ayes (Phillips, Hopf, Leeder, Mott, Slate, Littlefield and Roosa) 0 Nays

Mr. Phillips, Jr. thanked Mr. Hopf for his year of service as Vice Chair for the Commission.

Adjourn

The meeting was adjourned at 5:46p.m. in a motion by Mr. Littlefield and seconded by Mr. Leeder.

7 Ayes (Phillips, Hopf, Leeder, Mott, Slate, Littlefield and Roosa) 0 Nays

Respectfully submitted
Terri L. Chmiel
Minutes approved: