

NRICD Board Meeting  
Minutes  
February 11, 2015

Present:

Directors:

Jean Lynch  
Dick Went  
Amie Parris  
Marc Tremblay  
Matt Tracy

Associate Director:

Norm Hammond  
Paul Dolan

NRICD Staff:

Gina DeMarco  
Michelle Place  
Molly Allard

NRCS Staff:

Jeehye Lee

Meeting was called to order at 7:02 pm

Congratulations were given to Dick Went who was elected Vice President of the NACD

I. Minutes:

- A. Motion by Dick/2<sup>nd</sup> by Jean to approve minutes.

II. Treasurers Report:

- A. Accepted

III. Old Business

- A. Snake Den Farm –
  - 1. 3 farmers were offered leases
  - 2. Matt looking into buying a tractor
  - 3. 2<sup>nd</sup> floor has boiler issues
  - 4. Champlin grant will be used to fix roof and chimney
  - 5. Trails will be done by volunteers.
- B. SRWEP
  - 1. Looking to help small farmers get rid of agricultural waste.
  - 2. Molly currently scheduling her presentations with teachers
  - 3. Will have a presence at RI Flower Show.
- C. NEWIPICC grant-

- a. There are more parcels of landowners than anticipated
      - a They will receive a free sapling at seedling sale
      - b Water quality monitoring part of this grant has been approved
    - b. Canadian goose plan falls under this grant, there will be a planting on Saturday, May 30 at the Moswansicut Dam.
- D. 319- Scituate
  - 1. North Scituate Baptist Church in Scituate a possible candidate for rain garden
- E. CTA- Ag Tech
  - 1. NRCS requires a high match for this grant. Kate is working with PW to complete tasks.
- F. Strategic Plan
  - 1. Next meeting planned for 2/17 5-7 pm
    - a. Sent plan to Ken Ayers and Bill Mitchell.
    - b. Focus is on Snake Den Farm

#### IV. Reports

- A. SCC
  - 1. FFOS committee met. Discussion on pricing and values. PR person was hired
- B. NRCS – Jeehye
  - 1. Equip & NEA – developing forest management plans.
  - 2. Sign up for “conservation stewardship” program (5 years). Have specific eligibility requirements
- C. Envirothon-
  - 1. March 28<sup>th</sup> fundraiser breakfast at Dave’s bar & grill in Warwick.
  - 2. April 11 – Urban and Community forestry program at the Scituate Community center.
  - 3. May 15- Competition day for Envirothon
- D. R C & D
  - 1. Coverts program on May 1 & 2
  - 2. Southern is working on small scale forestry
- E. RIFCO- May 9<sup>th</sup> is 25<sup>th</sup> Anniversary event
- F. RIACD- Annual meeting was held in New Orleans, Feb 4<sup>th</sup>
  - 1. New England Leadership Conference in NH March 30 & 31
- G. District Manager
  - 1. Considering going to a training on stormwater management districts.

#### V. New Business:

- A. Duties and need for a Project manager at Snake Den farm were discussed

Meeting was adjourned at 9:17 pm . Motion by Dick.2<sup>nd</sup> by Paul.

Next meeting will be April 1, 2015 at 7 pm.