

Northern Rhode Island Conservation District Board Meeting (NRICD)

Minutes

April 12, 2016

Jean Lynch

Paul Dolan

Marc Tremblay

Matt Tracy

Dick Went

NRICD Staff:

Gina DeMarco

Michelle Place

Natural Resource Conservation Service(NRCS) Staff:

Leo Smock Randall

Meeting was called to order at 4:41 pm by Chairman Marc Tremblay

I. Minutes:

A. Motion by Dick/2nd by Jean to accept

II. Treasurers Report:

A. Discussion over informal review vs. formal audit of finances and although not required, is it needed.
Dick to find a firm that can give a quote on audit.

III. Old Business

A. Snake Den Farm (SDF)–

1. Janet Coit from DEM is scheduled to come to farm.
2. Motion from Dick/2nd by Jean to authorize funds for signage on SDF.
3. Tenant wants to keep approx. 10 chicken.

B. Scituate Reservoir Watershed Education Protection (SRWEP)-Water Festival is Tuesday May 3, 2016.
Johnson middle school in new to festival.

C. CIG (Conservation Innovation Grant)- Roger Williams University students- Doing inventory on farms that have livestock.

D. Moswansicut- May 5 workshop on protecting our water with low impact development. Scott Millar speaker.

E. RCPP (Regional Conservation Partnership Program)- working on soil health project

F. Fuss & Oneill- City of Pawtucket interviewed us. NRICD will do the outreach work.

IV. Reports –

A. Chair- No report

B. Rhode Island State Conservation Committee(RISCC)- -no report

C. NRCS - Leo presented his report with Application updates and program updates

- D. RI Resource Conservation & Development- Coverts workshop scheduled May 6,7.
 - 1. Outdoor workshop on June 25 in Tiverton.
 - E. Rhode Island Foresters Conservator's Organization (RIFCO)- May 14 is spring program "Merriman demonstration Woodlot" on Howard Hill Road in Foster 9am-12pm.
 - F. Rhode Island Association of Conservation Districts (RI ACD)
 - 1. NELM meeting took place in New Hampshire.
 - 2. Molly will go to boot camp in September for Conservation Planner Level II.
 - 3. A conservation tour with Senator Whitehouse will be scheduled for May.
 - G. Envirothon-
 - 1. Envirothon RI State Competition event is May 20th at Kent County YMCA
 - H. District Manager-
 - 1. No source point meeting April 20 & 21.
- V. New Business
- A. America the Beautiful grant- Planting 1000 trees in urban areas.
 - B. Hydroponics tour.
 - C. Seedling sale is April 23. Michelle asking for sign up of volunteers.
 - 1. Next month will meet TUESDAY, May 10 at 4:30 pm.

Motion by Jean/2nd by Matt to adjourn at 5:55 pm