

Northern RI Conservation District (NRICD) Board Meeting
Minutes
September 13, 2016

Present:

Executive Directors:

NRCS

Jean Lynch Matt Tracy
Marc Tremblay Dick Went

Associate Directors:

NRICD Staff:

Gina DeMarco
Michelle Place

Meeting was called to order at 4:30 pm by Chairman Marc Tremblay

I. Minutes:

A. Motion by Dick/2nd by Jean to approve minutes.

II. Treasurers Report:

A. Presented by Michelle. Quarterly grants tally was presented.

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

C. Motion by Dick/2nd by Jean to approve Matt Tracy, director of NRICD to be added to the Snake Den Farm account at Navigant and obtain a debit card.

III. Old Business

A. Snake Den Farm –

1. Wicked Tulips needs to provide is with a proposal on how they are working on parking plan and visitor maintenance for next year.

B. CIG (Conservation Innovation Grant)- Meeting on September 20. They will draft and agreement between the district and farmers that have manure. Also need to decide where the manure will go.

C. Ag Tech- Gina is writing an amendment to this grant

D. Providence Water- Education Program

1. Stormwater tour was held on September 1 @ 6:30 pm in Village of North Scituate. An article was printed in the Observer highlight the event.

2. There will be a well water workshop on November 16 at 6 pm at Ponagansett High School.

E. NRCS-

1. Outreach- We are in year 2 of a 5 year contract. Each year the funding reboots \$75,000.

- 2. At-504 – has awarded more grant money.
- F. EWP- gives conditional consideration that the Matolla property is eligible.
- G. RIDEM Dexter/Hawkins Pond Invasive species control – There will be a treatment of Friday 9/16

IV. Reports

- A. RI State Conservation Committee- Maria contacting policy makers regarding funding
- B. Envirothon-no report
- C. R C & D - no report
- D. RIFCO- Tree farm committee meets on September 15.
- E. RIACD- Annual meeting is November 14. There are scholarships available for registration waiver for the National Annual meeting held in Denver Jan 28-Feb 1.
Motion made by Dick/2nd by Jean that NRICD will pay the expenses for one person to go to NACD.
- F. District Manager – no report
- G. NRCS- no report

V. New Business:

- A. Awards
 - 1. Farm of the Year- Leo and Kate will provide some nominations.
 - 2. Chairman award/Forestry
 - 3. Alan Horenstein- should be recognized for all the accounting work he has done for all districts.
- B. Annual Dinner- Gina will send out doodle poll for Annual dinner planning committee meeting at Brewed Awakenings in Warwick.
- C. Annual report is being compiled. Gina went over items that were needed.

Adjourn: Jean/2nd by Matt at 6:05 pm

Next meeting date will be Tuesday October 11, at 4:30 pm