

Scituate Conservation Commission

November 8, 2005

Official Minutes

Attendees: Paul Dolan, Cheryl Dexter, Ruth Strach, Jon Vernava and Cynthia Gianfrancesco

Absent: Christopher Modisette and Thomas Angell

Guests:

The meeting was called to order at 7:10 P.M.

The minutes to the October 11, 2005 meeting of the Conservation Commission were accepted by Ms. Gianfrancesco, seconded by Ms. Strach. All were in favor. Motion carried.

There were no matters from the public.

Financial Reports:

A request was received from the Tax Assessor for financial assistance in upgrading the GIS Mapping System in the amount of approximately \$600.00. A motion by Ms. Strach to allocate funds as requested, seconded by Mr. Vernava. All were in favor. Motion carried.

An annual membership donation in the amount of \$100.00 was sent to the Rhode Island Tree Council.

Old Business:

The Property Committee reviewed a property line bordering Lawton Farm. A new homeowner adjacent to the farm is building a stone wall on town property and is dumping loose asphalt. Ms. Dexter moved that Gorham & Gorham Law Offices be contacted and the owner be instructed to remove the stone wall, seconded by Ms. Strach. All were in favor. Motion carried.

Mr. Earl Adams has not submitted payment for the haying contract for Lawton Farm for the 2004 haying year. The hay was cut and removed in that year. Mr. Dolan will send another letter to Mr. Adams stating that this will sever the relationship between the town and him since no contract was signed.

Mr. Theodore Hopkins III was awarded the bid to hay Lawton Farm in the amount of \$50.00 per hour.

A Gypsy Moth & Orange Striped Oak worm Workshop has been scheduled for November 12, 2005 from 9:30 to 11:00 am at the Potterville Fire Station. The turnout is expected to be high because of the devastation this summer in that area of town.

An Indian Rock Field Trip is scheduled to place on November 12, 2005 at 11:45 a.m. following the workshop at Potterville Fire Station. Mr. Modisette will be the speaker and lead the walk at this event.

MATTERS FOR DISCUSSION/APPROVAL:

Land Acquisition:

Knight Farm has been purchased.

Annual Meeting:

Ms. Dexter is waiting for a response from Mr. Armand LaMontagne to be the speaker at this event.

Proposed Ridgewood Estates:

The commission will submit their comments to the Planning Commission for their next meeting.

Correspondence:

This topic was briefly discussed.

Adjournment:

**Ms. Strach moved to adjourn at 8:35 p.m., seconded by Mr. Vernava.
All were in favor. Motion carried.**

Respectfully Submitted:

Patricia M. Russo

DECEMBER 2005 MEETING WAS CANCELLED