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## **I. CALL TO ORDER**

**A meeting of the Scituate Conservation Commission was held on Tuesday, February 8, 2005, and was called to order at 7:03 P.M. It was held in the Building Official's Conference Room, Scituate Town Hall, 195 Danielson Pike, N. Scituate, Rhode Island.**

## **II. ATTENDANCE:**

**Present: Christopher Modisette – Chair, Paul Dolan, Thomas Angell, Cynthia Gianfrancesco,  
Ruth Strach, Cheryl Dexter and Jon Vernava**

## **III. SECRETARY'S REPORT:**

**The minutes of the January meeting were reviewed. Mr. Dolan, seconded by Mr. Angell moved to accept corrected minutes. All were in favor. Motion carried.**

## **IV. MATTERS FROM THE PUBLIC:**

**None**

## **V. CONSENT CALENDAR:**

### **1. Financial Reports:**

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**There was minor discussion on this topic.**

### **2. Property Committee:**

**Mr. Dolan will address the problem of an invoice that needs to be submitted to the Town for hay cutting at Lawton Farm.**

**The sign is missing at Lawton Farm. Mr. Modisette will check with the secretary for information on the Eagle Scout that was supposed to complete this project.**

## **VI. OLD BUSINESS:**

### **1. 2005 Calendar of Events:**

**Arbor Day Dates.**

### **2. Annual Meeting:**

**Dan Silva has eagle photos. Ms. Dexter will set up a meeting date to select the one to be used for the award. Mr. Modisette will send out a**

**press release as soon as the speaker is confirmed. Fliers will be distributed around March 1, 2005.**

**3. FY 2005/2006 Budget:**

**Mr. Modisette has completed the budget and submitted it to the budget committee for approval.**

**4. Absentee Policy:**

**Ms. Gianfrancesco moved to discuss the absentee policy, seconded by Ms. Strach. The policy was amended, original motions withdrawn. Mr. Dolan moved to accept policy as corrected, seconded by Ms. Strach. There was no further discussion. All were in favor. Motion carried.**

**5. Arbor Day:**

**Mr. Dolan submitted a grant for four trees that would be used for the Arbor Day ceremonies.**

**VII. MATTERS FOR DISCUSSION AND/OR APPROVAL**

**1. Storm Water Management Plan:**

**There was some discussion about several properties that are being**

reviewed for acquisition. There is also preliminary interest on other properties as well. The town is waiting for appraisals to come in on several of these properties, the discussions with land owners will precede.

## **2. Land Conservation:**

The value for the development rights for Knight's Farm is \$2.2 million dollars. Mr. Ken Ayers has raised approximately \$1 million dollars.

## **3. Tirrell Property:**

A proposed subdivision for a 3 lot family compound is being considered for this property.

## **4. Yeaw Property:**

The Yeaw family is negotiating amongst themselves since the property has been divided among three siblings.

Senator Chaffee's office is looking for proposals for projects that need funding. Mr. Modisette proposed water projection, youth programs and a foot bridge.

## **VIII. CORRESPONDENCE:**

**This topic was briefly discussed.**

**IX. ADJOURNMENT:**

**Mr. Angel moved to adjourn at 8:55 .m. seconded by Mr. Dolan. All were in favor. There was no further discussion. Motion carried.**

**WITNESS:**

**Patricia M. Sperry**

**Secretary**