

The March 14, 2006 meeting was cancelled due to the Annual Meeting which was held on March 15, 2006.

Scituate Conservation Commission

April 11, 2006

Official Minutes

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

Absent: Thomas Angell Guest(s): None

The meeting was called to order at 7:08 P.M.

Secretary's Report:

There were no minutes to approve. The March meeting was cancelled due to the annual meeting.

Matter from the Public:

There were no matters from the public.

Financial Reports:

This topic was briefly discussed. It was noted that \$9,800.00 was expended in the fiscal year 2005/2006. The budget for fiscal year 2006/2007 will be in the amount of \$15,800.00. This is \$1,000.00 more than last year due to the addition of an annual contribution to the Rhode Island Resource and Conservation Development Area.

Old Business:

Property Committee:

Chair Modisette stated that Mr. Angell will schedule a meeting with the new property owner of the old Lawton homestead. A stonewall was built on Land Trust property and it may have to be removed.

Annual Meeting:

The annual meeting was a great success there were over forty residents in attendance. A date will be set to reserve the Community House for next years meeting. Mr. Armand La Montagne could be a possible guest speaker for this event.

Arbor Day:

Tree plantings have been scheduled for all of the elementary schools and high school. This will take place on April 28th, May 1st and May 2nd 2006.

MATTERS FOR DISCUSSION/APPROVAL:

Land Acquisition:

Chair Modisette has met with property owners in the Potterville section regarding an appraisal that was completed for their property.

A property owner in the Hope section has also contacted the town in regard to their property. Ruth Strach moved to pursue discussion with this property owner, seconded by Mr. Dolan. All were in favor. Motion carried.

An estate-planning workshop will be scheduled for sometime in May.

Other:

Mr. Peter Lockwood offered to host a tour of the vernal pools at Westconnaug Meadows. Dates will be checked for this tour.

Karen Beattie, Assessor for the Town of Scituate has requested funding in the amount of \$1,500.00 for GIS mapping upgrade. Mr. Dolan moved to donate \$1,000.00 towards Mrs. Beattie's request. This is contingent of further information being forwarded to the Chairman. Once this has been completed, Chairman Modisette will approve the request unless it becomes available at no cost, seconded

by Ms. Gianfrancesco. There was no further discussion. All were in favor. Motion carried.

Correspondence:

This topic was briefly discussed.

Adjournment:

Ms. Strach moved to adjourn at 9:00 p.m., seconded by Mr. Vernava. All were in favor. Motion carried.

Respectfully Submitted:

Patricia M. Russo