

Scituate Conservation Commission

February 14, 2006

Official Minutes

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

Absent: None Guest(s): None

The meeting was called to order at 7:05 P.M.

Elections:

The nominating committee; Paul Dolan, Ruth Strach and Cheryl Dexter moved to nominate Mr. Modisette as chair and Mr. Angell as vice chair. Nominations were closed. The secretary cast one ballot for the slate. All were in favor. Motion carried.

Secretary's Report:

Mr. Dolan moved the minutes to the January 10, 2006 meeting of the Conservation Commission as corrected, seconded by Mr. Angell. All were in g\favor. Motion carried.

Matter from the Public:

There were no matters from the public.

Financial Reports:

This topic was briefly discussed.

Old Business:

Property Committee:

Signage is still needed form Lawton Farm. Mr. Angell will contact Mr. Iverson regarding this matter.

Lawton Farm Haying Contract:

The contract will be re-advertised at a future date. The haying will take place in late summer.

Annual Meeting:

Chair Modisette spoke with Councilman Budway in regard to having the annual meeting at the Chopmist Hill Inn. It is not on the list of town owned properties to be used by local organizations. Chair Modisette is awaiting Councilman Budway's response for using the site.

Member Strach has purchased the annual award for the meeting.

Virginia Brown will be the guest speaker for the annual meeting. She will speak about dragonflies.

There will be refreshments and raffles at the meeting. Books and pictures on dragonflies will be purchased among other items. The North Scituate Business Association will donate items and form a basket from all of the local businesses that will be raffled off at the event.

Storm Water Workshop:

The workshop will be held at the North Scituate Community House on March 14, 2006 for local residents. The Scituate Watershed Educational Program has identified high impact areas and has found the most impacted to be in the village of North Scituate.

MATTERS FOR DISCUSSION/APPROVAL:

Land Acquisition:

The committee is waiting for an appraisal for a parcel of land located in the Potterville section of town.

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

Arbor Day:

Mr. Dolan will be having a tree planting ceremony at all of the elementary schools located in town. An intern will write a tree ordinance draft for the town.

Scituate Greenways:

Scott Millar will hold public session to identify natural resources and where the people would like them to be. This will be presented to the Planning Commission in March. Scituate Greenways is looking for a financial commitment in the amount of about \$2,000.00. Ms. Gianfrancesco moved to contribute up to \$2,500.00 to Scituate Greenways, seconded by Ms. Dexter. All were in favor. Motion carried.

Correspondence:

This topic was briefly discussed.

Adjournment:

Ms. Strach moved to adjourn at 9:10 p.m., seconded by Mr. Angell.

All were in favor. Motion carried.

Respectfully Submitted:

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