

# **Scituate Conservation Commission**

**January 10, 2006**

## **Official Minutes**

**Attendees: Christopher Modisette, Paul Dolan, Cheryl Dexter, Ruth Strach,**

**and Jon Vernava**

**Absent: Cynthia Gianfrancesco and Thomas Angell Guest(s):  
Jackie McKenna**

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

**The minutes to the November 8, 2005 meeting of the Conservation Commission were automatically approved.**

**There were no matters from the public.**

### **Financial Reports:**

**It was noted that the Neighbor to Neighbor packets needed to be mailed. Ms. Strach will get a list from the Tax Assessor.**

**The Lawton Farm was mowed by Mr. Ted Hopkins. A bill was submitted in the amount of \$1700.00, 75% of which will be reimbursed by a USDA Grant. Ms. Strach moved to pay the \$200.00 overage on Lawton Farm mowing, seconded by Mr. Dolan. All were in favor.**

**Motion carried.**

**Old Business:**

**The tree identification signs and trail markers have been installed at Westconnaug Meadows. A thank you note needs to be sent to the boy scouts for their assistance.**

**Approximately 35 people were in attendance for the Gypsy Moth and Orange Stripped Oak worm Workshop. It is anticipated that the problem will escalate next year.**

**The annual meeting has been scheduled to be held on March 15, 2006 at 7 p.m. It is possible that Ginger Brown, a dragonfly expert or John McNiff, employed by Roger Williams National Park will be the speaker. Mr. McNiff does re-enactments of historical Rhode Islanders. An attempt will be made to book the Chopmist Hill Inn; if not the Community House will be location of the meeting.**

**Diana Reisman has been nominated for the Alice B. Howland Award.**

**MATTERS FOR DISCUSSION/APPROVAL:**

**Draft FY 2006-2007 Budget:**

**There was brief discussion on this topic. The budget has stayed**

**neutral.**

**America the Beautiful Grant:**

**A proposal was discussed to develop a tree ordinance. Inventory and plantings at several locations were also mentioned.**

**Correspondence:**

**This topic was briefly discussed.**

**Adjournment:**

**Ms. Strach moved to adjourn at 8:30 p.m., seconded by Mr. Vernava. All were in favor. Motion carried.**

**Respectfully Submitted:**

**Patricia M. Russo**