

Southern Rhode Island Conservation District

Board of Directors Meeting

Master Gardner's Field House, East Farm, Kingston, RI

September 27, 2010

4:00 pm

Present: Directors Clarkson Collins, Harriett Powell, Rudi Hempe, Carl Sawyer, Harvey Buford.

District Manager Doug McGovern; Ramona LeBlanc, RI State Conservation Committee.

I. Chairman Clarkson Collins called the meeting to order at 4:10.

II. Minutes

A motion was made to accept the August 23, 2010 minutes as presented: Harriet/Rudi: unanimous.

III. Reports

A. Treasurer's Report: Most recent reconciliation report and budget year to date were distributed.

**A motion was made to accept the report as presented:
Harriet/Rudi: unanimous.**

B. Chair: Deferred to District Manager.

C. District Manager: District billed Town of Narragansett for latest edition of Stormwater Currents. Revised menu of services distributed. Photo of SRICD conservation award recipients published in South County Independent and Narragansett Times.

D. NRCS: Not present.

E. SCC: Farm, Forest and Open Space workshop to be held on September 30 for tax assessor. Doug will attend

IV. Work Opportunities:

A. Geese Abatement: SCC has signed an agreement with NRCS for \$45,000.00. Work will be a pilot program in Eastern District. Board authorized Doug to take lead on this project.

B. River Assessments: RIACD signed a \$10,000.00 agreement to survey two rivers to assess damage done by spring 2010 floods. The Wood River in Southern District will be one of the rivers and Harvey expressed an interest in serving on team that will perform evaluations.

V. Old Business

A. Publicity Documents: Previously discussed.

B. Annual Dinner: Board would like to alternate years between Northern and Southern Districts for location of combined Annual Dinner.

V. New Business

A. Rhody Native Plants: Rudi reported on a group which has been meeting to promote native plants in RI. The goal is to have local growers supply natives to retailers. A demonstration garden at East Farm is being discussed.

Meeting adjourned at 5:50.

Next meeting October 25, 4 pm.