

JAMESTOWN CONSERVATION COMMISSION
January 14th, 2003 7:00 PM, Town Hall
Minutes

Present: C. Powell, R. Tyre, G. Mariorenzi, C. Crafts, D. Minto, T. Johnson.

I. Motion to approve the Minutes – November 2002 meeting (Mariorenzi, 2nd Tyre) unanimously approved.

(The regular December meeting scheduled for December 5th was cancelled)

II. Correspondence & Bills:

1. RI Natural History Survey – 2003 Conference – Call for papers.
2. RI Natural History Survey Newsletter
3. RI Natural History Survey – End of the year fund raising notice.
4. RI Assoc. Conservation Comm. 2nd Annual Meeting – Sat. May 24th, 2003. At Coastal Institute.
5. RI Tree Council – Freedom Tree event announcement.
6. RI Tree Council – membership request.
7. New England Wild Flower Society – notice recruiting volunteers for the Invasive Plant Atlas of NE.
8. National Council for Science and the Environment Conference notice – Jan. 30-31, 2003.
9. Eastern RI Conservation District – request to meet with Conservation Commissions. C. Powell will invite representative to February meeting.

III. Request to address the Commission: none scheduled

IV. CRMC

1. Notice- Postponement of High Street ROW to Jan. 28th, 2003.
2. January 2003 Calendar - no relevant applications.
3. Notice of Acceptance – Town of Jamestown – Conanicut Island Sanctuary Trail.
4. Notice – Elizabeth Perik – AP 9, Lot 380 - Residential boating facility. Has been mapped inside of the eel grass beds.
5. Residential Assent – Steven Evangelista – AP 4, Lot 137-138 – construct driveway.
6. Residential Assent – Michael Benes – AP 9, Lot 588 – construct addition and ISDS.
7. Assent to raze house on Lot 25, 503 Seaside Drive and rebuild 3 story, 2 bedroom house.

RIDEM

1. Availability of Draft 2002 303(d) List of Impaired Waters
2. Notice of America the Beautiful Grants, deadline 28 Feb. 2003.
3. Notice of RIPDES Draft Permit – M/V Dauriya – Russian processing ship.
4. Zarlengo letter to Office of Water Resources (Wetlands) re: AP 16, Lot 12.

V. Old Business:

1. Recreation, Conservation & Open Space Plan – Chris will ask for assistance on drafting the final plan.
2. Water Protection Committee – Chris reported on properties under consideration.

3. Adopt-A-Highway Cleanup – scheduled the Conservation Commission section of North Road for March (pre-daffodil season) for Saturday, April 5th, 8:30 a.m.
4. Highway Barn update.
5. CC member expiration of terms.

VI. New Business:

1. Implications of Town Charter changes for the Commission – 1/7/03 meeting with Town Solicitor. A motion (Mariorenzi, 2nd Tyre) was unanimously approved to draft a letter to the Town Council expressing our concerns about the impact of the changes in the Charter on the town's boards and commissions. The CC request that the town revisit the term limits and residency/elector requirements. C. Powell will draft a letter and e-mail it to the Commission. The CC will also ask that other boards and commissions consider doing the same.
2. The CC will forward a letter of acknowledgement and thanks for her long term services to the Conservation Commission.

Motion to adjourn (Mariorenzi, 2nd Tyre) at 8:42 p.m., unanimously approved.

Next Meeting: February 11, 2003 7:00 PM, Town Hall.