

JAMESTOWN CONSERVATION COMMISSION
April 15th, 2003 7:00 PM, Town Hall
Minutes

Present: P. Bolger, T. Johnson, G. Mariorenzi, C. Powell, S. Vetromile.
Absent: A. Barclay de Tolly,

Call to order: 7:10 PM

I. Motion to approve Minutes – March 2003 meeting as amended: Add “seconded by Bolger” to motion. Moved Bolger, seconded by Mariorenzi.

II. Correspondence & Bills

1. RI Natural History Survey – Membership card, etc.
2. RI Association of Conservation Commissions – 2003 Conference info.
3. RI Tree Council Steward Program.
4. Ecology of Block Island – book notice.
5. Save The Bay – Volunteer Newsletter, eelgrass transplant info.
6. Memo from Finance Dept. re: Purchase Orders – anything over \$500 requires P.O. #
7. Greg Clark – Conanicut Island Sanctuary – trail maintenance contract: \$500, 10 cuts maximum/year. Moved Mariorenzi, seconded by Bolger.
8. Newspaper ad on SNE Biocycle Aerated Wastewater Treatment Systems – septic systems designed for wet property.

III. Request to address the Commission: none scheduled

IV. CRMC & RIDEM

1. CRMC - Notice of Public Hearing – Town of Jamestown, Conservation Commission application for trail extension & boardwalk at Sanctuary. Tues. April 8th Bolger attended w/Eagle Scout leader (Steve) and parents, and Town Solicitor. CRMC expressed concern: If approved, Town must ensure project is completed. Steve is responsible for acquiring funds to purchase lumber. Is recycled lumber an option? Chris will inquire w/Steve. Garden Club has pledged \$500 toward project. Discussion that Commission should match \$500. Moved Johnson, seconded by Bolger. Discussed completion of boardwalk (up to Weeden Lane). Powell will present request for funds (via RIDEM Greenways Grant, due in June) to L. Bryer. Moved Vetromile, seconded by Bolger.
2. CRMC April calendar
3. CRMC – Notice – Narr. Electric Co. – to abandon existing submarine cable.
4. CRMC – Notice – RIDOT – Demolish old Jamestown Bridge, creation of five artificial reefs.
5. CRMC - Notice – Anthony Silvestri, Jr., AP 2, Lot 52, modification to existing residential boating facility.
6. CRMC – Notice – Donelson C. Glassie, Jr., AP 9, Lot 296, residential boating facility.

V. Old Business

1. Recreation, Conservation & Open Space Plan – Vetromile will meet w/Powell to review, edit and complete.

2. Water Protection Committee – No meeting last month. Concern w/how Town can recoup lots. Also, will be a test to see if new high water table regs. will protect future lots to be developed.
3. Earth Day Shoreline Cleanup & Adopt-A-Highway Cleanup, April 19th. Commissioners to meet at Recreation Center, 8 AM
4. Trails Guide Grant – nearly complete. Tentative “unveiling event” at Conanicut Island Sanctuary, June 7th.
5. National Trails Day (June 7th) Powell will request materials in the event that Commission holds “unveiling event”.
6. CC project assignments discussed, no action.

VI. New Business:

1. Future CC Projects
2. Managing mosquitos information
3. TNC Land Trust Conference reimbursement (\$32 – Vetromile). Moved Bolger, seconded by Mariorenzi.

Motion to adjourn at 8:35 PM, unanimously approved.

Next Meeting: May 13th, 2003 7:00 PM, Town Hall.

Respectfully submitted by Suzanne Vetromile.