

CHARLESTOWN CONSERVATION COMMISSION
November 27, 2012
CHARLESTOWN TOWN HALL
4540 S. County Trail, Charlestown, RI 02813

- I. CALL TO ORDER: The meeting was called to order at 7:00PM by L. Arnold, Chair.
- II. ROLL CALL: Present: L. Arnold, C. Connery, H. Hultgren, G. Klinger, F. Safford, K. Simoneau and R. Thieke.
- III. INTRODUCTION OF GUESTS AND PUBLIC COMMENTS: None
- IV. APPROVAL OF MINUTES:
Motion to approve the minutes of October 23, 2012 by G. Klinger with the addition to VIa of "L. Arnold informed Nick that no fundraising could be done". 2nd: F. Safford.
Aye: L. Arnold, G. Klinger, F. Safford, K. Simoneau and R. Thieke. Nay: None.
Abstain: C. Connery and H. Hultgren.
Motion to approve the minutes of the special meeting on November 10, 2012 by C. Connery, 2nd: G. Klinger. Aye: L. Arnold, C. Connery, H. Hultgren, G. Klinger, K. Simoneau and R. Thieke. Nay: None. Abstain: F. Safford.
- V. OLD BUSINESS:
Reports from Commissioners
1. South Farm Preserve
 - a. Nick Wollenberg Eagle Scout Project – L. Arnold indicated that the Acting Town Administrator had approved the project. The Troop still needs to give their approval and Nick needs to provide a list of those who will assist him as well as the time when he will do it. L. Arnold and F. Safford will determine if the date selected by Nick is acceptable (it will probably be in the spring).
 - b. Storm Sandy aftermath – Korpi Sauna has soon loose stones and they need to be put back. We will consider some further restoration in the spring. There is a tree on the eastern edge of the north field that needs to be taken down and all the woodland trails need cleanup
 2. Schoolhouse Pond Preserve
 - a. Signage and Kiosk – F. Safford reported he has the materials for the sign and will begin building. H. Hultgren has completed the various parts of the kiosk but it still needs to be assembled.
 3. Richard Trails
 - a. Trail update – Some clearing has been done and C. Connery will do more when he can with his brush cutter.
 - b. Additional trails – will be discussed when the first trail is completed.
 - c. Blazing of trail – tabled.
 - d. Open Dawn to Dusk sign – will put up when first trail is competed.
 4. Monitoring of 16 Town-Owned Open Space Properties – Confirmed that this will be done on December 8, 2012 starting at 9:00 AM. Rain date December 9, 2012. Group will assemble in front of 16 Tamanaco Drive and carpool from there.
 5. Website – L. Arnold will discuss with Town Clerk about updating the information regarding the Commission on the website and include all the information in the open space brochure.
 6. Affordable Housing Committee – F. Safford reported that the Town Council has asked the State for a moratorium on for profit developments.
 7. December meeting – Motion by G. Klinger not to hold a regular Commission meeting in December. 2nd: H. Hultgren. Aye: L. Arnold, C. Connery, H. Hultgren, G. Klinger, F. Safford, K. Simoneau and R. Thieke. Nay: None.
 8. Additional business: None
- VI. NEW BUSINESS: None
- VII. MEMBER COMMENTS/ANNOUNCEMENTS: None

VIII. ADJOURNMENT:

- A. Motion by H. Hultgren to adjourn. 2nd: K. Simoneau. Aye: L. Arnold, C. Connery, H. Hultgren, G. Klinger, F. Safford, K. Simoneau and R. Thieke. Nay: None.

Meeting adjourned at 8:08 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,

Richard N. Thieke
Secretary

Next regular Commission meeting will be held on January 22, 2013

Next special Commission meeting will be held on December 8, 2012