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**TOWN OF DURHAM**  
**Conservation Commission**  
**Special Meeting Minutes**  
**Saturday, April 25, 2009**

**10:00 AM White's Farm Memorial Arboretum on Maple Ave.**

**Members Present:** Casey Cordes, Ralph Chase, Bill LaFlamme, Brian Ameche, Rick Huntley, Joe Dattilo, *ex officio* member, First Selectwoman, Laura Francis

1. Arbor Day Dedication ceremonies began at approximately 10:15 am. Two trees were dedicated: one for Mr. Charles Wimler and one for Mr. Roger Newton. Mr. Wimler's tree is a sweet bay magnolia, *Magnolia virginiana*, and Mr. Newton's tree is a swamp white oak, *Quercus bicolor*. Mr. Cordes said a few words in dedication as did State Representative Matthew Lesser followed by First Selectwoman, Laura Francis.
2. White's Farm Needs Assessment & Site Walk. Following the dedication ceremony, a series of small group discussions regarding Allyn Brook bank erosion problems and other winter and flood damage and repairs to White's Farm were had among the Conservation Commission members present as well as with members of the public. Messrs. LaFlamme, Dattilo, and Cordes also viewed some launches by the CATO Rocketry, and conversed with a representative of the club.

No further business was conducted, and members dispersed by 12:10 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Casey Cordes  
Chair