

SMITHFIELD LAND TRUST MEETING AGENDA

SMITHFIELD TOWN HALL

64 Farnum Pike, Esmond, RI 02917

THURSDAY, November 5, 2015, 7:30 P.M.

The public is welcome to any meeting of the **Smithfield Land Trust**. If communication assistance (readers/interpreters/captions) or any other accommodation to ensure equal participation is needed, please contact the Smithfield Town Manager's Office at 401-233-1010 at least forty-eight (48) hours prior to the meeting

AGENDA

At: 7:00 p.m. Executive Closed Session

- I. Executive Closed Session pursuant to the following sections(s) of the Rhode Island General Laws:

42-46-5 (a)(5)-Real Estate: For any and all discussions or considerations related to the acquisition or lease of real property for public purposes.

42-46-5(a)(1)-Personnel Issues: For any and all discussions or considerations related to personnel

- II. Reconvene into Open Public Session to announce any closed session votes as required to be disclosed pursuant to Rhode Island General Laws: 42-46-4

7:30 p.m. Meeting Called to Order-- Emergency Evacuation and Health Notification

- III. Minutes of the October 1, 2015 Meeting
 - a. Discussion and/or corrections
 - b. Vote to approve and adopt minutes

- IV. Treasurer's report— Jay

- V. **Signs** for various properties-Type of Sign, Design, Rules Signs, DEM and Smithfield Land Trust Properties. Updates Cheryl

- VI. Update Projects in Process—**Discussion of Management Plans for Properties and annual site visits:** Maps for properties and Stewardship form to hand out

We can do the site visit and make a list of those things we need to do to maintain property, ie signs, clearing etc.

Wolf Hill – see details below -Done

Jim Russell-Fall of 2015 **Cheryl, Kristen**

Hanton City/Audubon –Fall of 2015**Marc**

Hyde Tree Farm Annual visit Fall 2015**Barbara**

D'Angelo Family Farm Annual visit Fall 2015**Barbara**

Cavanagh Property – Annual Visit update 2015 **Steve**

Steere Orchard –Annual Visit update Visit Fall 2015 **Cheryl, Barbara**

Caroline E. Judson Trust Property/Signs/Annual visit 2015-
 Matteo Property Annual Site visit –2015
Olivia’s Forest (Gallo) –Complete Cub scouts adopted
Greenville Terrace—Scout clean up, mapping to be done Marc
 Mowry Homestead/Farmland site visit (quarterly Report)
 Blackbird Farm Fall of 2015 **Barbara**
 Latham Brook Preserve 2015 **Marc**

Properties from Developments—Volunteers to evaluate and visit these properties?

High Ridge (Stillwater Rd)?

Ryan Court –Site Visit

Clark Rd?—near new part of Blackbird Farm

2. **Trail Maps**— Grant to Print 2500 maps for Wolf Hill Spring 2016/our share?

3. **Scout Projects**-Project for Russell/Judson Wetland Bridge. Approved and Scout is working.

4. **Mary Mowry House:** Council asked Attorney A Gallone to check on the insurance of the house.(nothing heard, yet) Third quarter report made to Town Council. Everything is on schedule (windows, painting of outside of house, landscaping). Electrical work, chimney rebuild and wood stove estimates. More info on the Americore Project. Melanie Thiebeault interviewed RTR for an article on the update of what is going on at the Property. Update **Barbara**

5. **Mowry Farm:** Extension of lease for farm, discuss larger “sublease”than community garden size plot for farm. Chickens are doing fine **Barbara**

6. **WOLF HILL**-On October 24, 31 volunteers worked on the green trail to install 15 waterbars. AMC, RI Hikers, Smithfield Stewards all came together to finish the project. See above trail maps.

Discuss Parking off of Mountindale Update **Marc**

a. **Olivia’s Forest**—Adopted by the local cub scouts as their project, clean up etc.

7. **Volunteer Stewards-** Update **Marc/Dilena**

8. **Risk Management-** Record keeping workshop on Nov 7, Kristen can go anybody else? Update **Marc**

9. **Technical Review** -Update **Don/Barbara**

10. **Calendar: 2016 meetings: Jan 7, Feb4, Mar3, Apr 7, May 5, Jun 2, Jul 7,Aug 4, Sept 1,Oct 6, Nov 3, Dec 1**

11. **Conservation** Commission News: **Cheryl/Don**

12. **Public Comment and Questions** 5 minutes

13. **Dog Park Commission**-Public meeting scheduled for Nov 17 Council meeting update **Barbara**

VII. Outstanding items/Correspondence/New Business/**Next Meeting December 3, 2015 (annual meeting with refreshments)**. Can do in Chambers and maybe have a presentation with pictures of the year and recognition for all the volunteers that have helped us this year. Discussion.

VIII. Move to Adjourn