

# SMITHFIELD LAND TRUST MEETING AGENDA

## SMITHFIELD TOWN HALL

64 Farnum Pike, Esmond, RI 02917

**THURSDAY, May 5, 2016 7:00 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. Meeting Called to Order-- Emergency Evacuation and Health Notification**

I. Minutes of the April 7, 2016 adopt minutes

#### **II. Executive Closed Session:**

Motion to go into 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

III. 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

IV. Treasurer’s report— Booker Property USDA Grant update Jay

V. **Signs** for various properties-Type of Sign, Design, Rules Signs, DEM and Smithfield Land Trust Properties. We needed a couple of new “don’t do anything signs” large.  
Updates **Cheryl**

VI. Update Projects in Process

#### **1. Discussion of Management Plans for Properties and annual site visits:**

Wolf Hill – see details below -Done

Jim Russell-Fall of 2016 **Cheryl, Kristen**

Hanton City/Audubon –Fall of 2016**Marc**

Hyde Tree Farm Annual visit Fall 2016**Barbara**

D’Angelo Family Farm Annual visit Fall 2016**Barbara**

Cavanagh Property – Annual Visit update 2016 **Steve**

Steere Orchard –Annual Visit update Visit Fall 2016 **Cheryl, Barbara**

Caroline E. Judson Trust Property/Signs/Annual visit 2016-Damage from plows

Matteo Property Annual Site visit –2016

Olivia's Forest (Gallo) –Complete **Cub scouts** adopted  
 Greenville Nature Reserve—Finish trail/Map **Marc**  
 Mowry Homestead/Farmland site visit (quarterly Report)  
 Blackbird Farm Fall of 2016 **Barbara**  
 Latham Brook Preserve Baseline Documentation Property 2016 **Marc**

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

Ryan Court –Site Visit  
 Clark Rd

2. **Trail Maps— Grant** to Print 2500 maps for Wolf Hill Spring 2016/our share?
3. **Scout Projects-** **-update**
4. **Grants—**Marc for Kiosk property up grade state small recreation grants,
5. **Mary Mowry House:** RTR wanted to install new electrical for the garage. Electrician's costs about \$1300, National Grid was contacted about a new pole, \$4,000. I spoke to the Electrician and said no way. If they can get somebody to dig a trench around the driveway, he could probably put the line in for about \$2,000 (it would be longer). Discussion. This is not a necessary upgrade **Update**
6. **Mowry Farm:** Arts Festival Event and Music Event permits applied for **Update**
7. **WOLF HILL-** Update Baseline documentation Program, Earth day clean up, and Opening Land Trust Days historic walk to Plane Crash site. Permission granted for the "night walkers" since our time is dawn to dusk.
8. **Volunteer Stewards-Meetup** We are up to 102 Stewards **Update**  
**Marc/Dilena**
9. **Risk Management-** Handout of the Ethics Session **Update** **Marc**
10. **Technical Review** -Update **Don/Barbara**
11. **Calendar:** Land Trust Days opening **July at Wolf Hill**, Our Land Trust Days walk at Hanton City **Sept 17th or 24th ?**
12. **New Projects:** 1. **Records Project:** Update **Kristen/Steve**
2. **Baseline Documentation Project:** **Latham Brook Preserve** has been submitted. - have not been in contact again.  
**Wolf Hill as Management Plan and BDP**  
 Marc and I met with 5 members of the team. I found Management plan that was done by Jonathan Twining (see attachment) We need to provide input to the team. So please read

the plan, think about what we want for Wolf Hill and we will present to them. Two of their members are very interested in the Vernal Pools. I sent them the link to Jonathan's You Tube and I spoke to him and asked if it was ok to use the video and he said yes and volunteered to do more this summer if there was anything we would like.-update

Barbara

13. **Conservation** Commission News:

**Cheryl/Don**

14. **Public Comment and Questions**

5 minutes

VII. Outstanding items/Correspondence/New Business/**Next Meeting June 9, 2016**

VIII. Move to Adjourn