

SMITHFIELD LAND TRUST MEETING AGENDA
SMITHFIELD TOWN HALL
64 Farnum Pike, Esmond, RI 02917
THURSDAY, March 1, 2018 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

- I. Meeting Called to Order 7:00 PM
- II. Emergency Evacuation and Health Notification
- III. Welcome Thomas Robitaille- New member term expires 2020.
- IV. Minutes:
 - a. Moved that the minutes of the February 1, 2017 meeting be approved, as recorded.
 - b. Move that the minutes of the February 1, 2018 Executive Closed Session be approved, adopted and sealed.
- V. Treasurer's report—Submitted the approved 2018-19 budget. Update on expenses to date. (Jay)
- VI. Discussion of By Laws-suggestions for changes
- VII. Discuss update on signs
 - a. Marc is working on an inventory of signs. Included with each property report we will add what signs are needed on that property.
- VIII. Update Projects in Process
 - a. Discuss update of Management Plans and annual site visits for the following properties:
 - i. **Blackbird Farm** (Limerock Road- 50 acres conservation easement).
 - ii. **Cavanaugh Property** (Log Road- 12 acres conservation easement).
 - iii. **Clark Road** (105 Clark Rd – 22 acres own from development).
 - iv. **D'Angelo Family Farm** (Old County Road - 15 acres conservation easement).

- v. **Greenville Nature Reserve** (Smith Avenue - 28 acres own from development). **Annual Site Visit Complete**
 - vi. **Hanton City** (Decotis Farm Road - 96 acres own)
 - vii. **Hyde Tree Farm** (Mann School Rd - 65 acres Conservation Easement/DEM)
 - viii. **Hoar Farm** (Austin Avenue 16 acres Conservation Easement)
 - ix. **Caroline E Judson Trust Property** (Williams Rd -56 acres own/DEM).**Annual Site Visit Complete**
 - x. **Latham Brook Preserve** (Burlingame Road (Latham Farm Road Entry) – 123 acres own)
 - xi. **Matteo Farmland** (Swan Rd – 50 acres own)We have been invited by the RI Land Trust Council’s Land Trust Excellence Program to participate as the host property. The program is one classroom session on Stewardship and one Site Stewardship session. I have selected the Matteo Property because it provides lots of information and is also a Farm lease program. I will keep you informed.
 - xii. **Mowry Homestead/Mowry Farmland** (Old Forge Rd/Farnum Pike 5 acres/15 acres own).
 - xiii. **Olivia’s Forest** (Ridge Rd, 31 acres (donation by Mr. Gallo and from development)). **Annual Site visit Complete**
 - xiv. **Pavao Plat** (Evans Road 6.5 acres own (from development)).
 - xv. **Jim Russell Property** (Burlingame Road – 43 acres own).
 - xvi. **Sasso Property** (Mann School Road 21 acres conservation easement).
 - xvii. **Sleboda Farm** (Whipple Rd -56 acres-conservation easement)
 - xviii. **Captain Elisha Steere Farm**-(Booker) (W. Greenville Road. 8.54 acres conservation easement).
 - xix. **Steere Orchard** (Austin Avenue 20 acres conservation easement)
 - xx. **Wolf Hill Forest Preserve** (Pleasant View Avenue 295 acres own)-Get Large copy of updated Trail Map for Keosk with sign also sending them to explore RI **Annual Site Visit Complete**
- b. Discuss updates on scout projects and other projects on Land Trust properties.
 - i. Renee Finlay from Conservation is interested in finding places to plant native plants and will talk about her program at a future date. Good for our Wild life habitat rehabs on Wolf Hill?
 - c. Discuss updates on Grants.

- d. Discuss updates on Mary Mowry House Project.
 - i. Revive the Roots is working on next 5 year curatorship plan, including the porch and fundraising plans. (Barbara)
- e. Discuss updates on Volunteer Stewards (Marc/Dilena).
- f. Discuss updates on Risk Management (Marc).
- g. Discuss updates on Technical Review (Don/Barbara)
- h. Discuss upcoming Calendar
 - i. Land and Water summit will be March 10, 2018
 - ii. Participation in Land Trust Days
 - iii. April 21, Earth Day Clean up (pick some areas we coordinate with Town)
- i. Discuss updates on Conservation Commission News (Don).

IX. Public Comment (5 minutes)

X. Adjournment

Next Meeting April 5, 2018