

SMITHFIELD LAND TRUST MEETING AGENDA
SMITHFIELD TOWN HALL
64 Farnum Pike, Esmond, RI 02917
THURSDAY, August 2, 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. Minutes:
 - a. Moved that the minutes of the June 7, 2018 meeting be approved, as recorded.
- IV. Treasurer's report—Budget to date -- update new Fiscal year started June 1
- V. By Laws not approved as amended by Town Council on July 10. They are awaiting the Policies and Procedures documents.
- VI. Discuss Policies and Procedures. Policies and Procedures updates by members. Create a draft and report for the Town Council on progress.
- 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. Carlton's Way no parking sign seems to be working. Holding the other sign until something changes.
- 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). **Annual site visit complete.** Sign needs to be installed.

- v. **Greenville Nature Reserve** (Smith Avenue - 28 acres own from development). **Annual Site Visit Complete** Report of a trash camping site on the property. Need to clean up. Right of way for Smith Ave entrance is with Town Solicitor for review and approval. This is related to person who wants to build house on the lot. Third bridge 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). I wrote to David Sleboda to thank him for haying the fields at the property and formalizing our relationship with him for the haying. **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. Monitoring workshop took place 4/28. Update **Annual visit Complete**
- xii. **Mowry Homestead/Mowry Farmland** (Old Forge Rd/Farnum Pike 5 acres/15 acres own). Mowry Farmland we need to verify borders where the neighbors yard is to mark off our property line. I walked to the edge of the property, but I did not have a survey map or appropriate shoes. Creating Management plan so we understand goals for the property and future of the property based on Curatorship agreement.
- xiii. **Olivia’s Forest** (Ridge Rd, 31 acres (donation by Mr. Gallo and from development). Plant Identification project completed. **Annual Site visit Complete**
- xiv. **Pavao Plat** (Evans Road 6.5 acres own (from development)).
- xv. **Jim Russell Property** (Burlingame Road – 43 acres own). There is a tree down on the yellow path that Steve Higgins and Peter Pare have volunteered to cut up. Update
- 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)
Annual Site Visit Complete.
- xx. **Wolf Hill Forest Preserve** (Pleasant View Avenue 295 acres own)-
Get Large copy of updated Trail Map for Kiosk. Sign posted about
parking on Carlton's Way update. **Annual Site Visit Complete**

- b. Discuss updates on scout projects and other projects on Land Trust properties.
 - i. Olivia's Forest Plant identification Project
 - ii. Resting Bench? Scout Project
 - iii. Pollinators planted with Steve Perrault, Tom Robataille, Steve's wife, and my husband on entry to White Trail and near the water at conservation center.
- c. Discuss updates on Mary Mowry House Project.
Revive the Roots is working on the plans for the porch. (Barbara)
- d. Discuss updates on Volunteer Stewards (Marc/Dilena).
- e. Discuss updates on Risk Management (Marc).
- f. Discuss updates on Technical Review (Don/Barbara)-
- g. Discuss upcoming Calendar
 - i. Participation in Land Trust Days. Between August and October. Discuss and approve events. RI Land Trust council does the advertising and publicity we run the event.
 - ii. Discuss any other events we might like to host.
- h. Discuss updates on Conservation Commission News (Don).
- i. Discuss new members and current member news

IX. Public Comment (5 minutes)

X. Adjournment

Next Meeting **September 6, 2018**