

**SMITHFIELD LAND TRUST MEETING AGENDA**  
**SMITHFIELD TOWN HALL**  
**64 Farnum Pike, Esmond, RI 02917**  
**THURSDAY, June 6, 2019 7:00 P.M.**

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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

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**AGENDA**

- I. Meeting Called to Order 7:00 PM
- II. Emergency Evacuation and Health Notification
- III. **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.
- IV. Minutes:
  - a. Move that the minutes of the May 2, 2019, meeting be approved.
- V. Treasurer's report—Budget Report if received.
  - a. Discuss update on signs. We have the inventory of signs with pictures. The signs are in the Conservation Center Office. Discuss signs we need for Wolf Hill, Latham Brook, Jim Russell.
  - b. Results of NorthSouth Ride fundraiser and ATV enhancements for trail work and money from budget allocated to these purchases.
- VI. Update Projects in Process
  - a. Discuss update of Management Plans and annual site visits will be due during 2019 for the following properties:
    - i. **Blackbird Farm** (Limerock Road- 50 acres conservation easement).Nothing New
    - ii. **Cavanagh Property** (Log Road- 12 acres conservation easement). Nothing New
    - iii. **Clark Road** (105 Clark Rd – 22 acres own from development).Nothing New
    - iv. **D'Angelo Family Farm** (Old County Road - 15 acres conservation easement).. Nothing New

- v. **Greenville Nature Reserve** (Smith Avenue - 28 acres own from development). 2019 Annual site visit complete.
- vi. **Hanton City** (Decotis Farm Road - 96 acres own) Nothing new
- vii. **Hyde Tree Farm** (Mann School Rd - 65 acres Conservation Easement/DEM) Nothing new
- viii. **Hoar Farm** (Austin Avenue 16 acres Conservation Easement) nothing new Eleanor Hoar has died. Current property owner might be her niece.
- ix. **Caroline E Judson Trust Property** (Williams Rd -56 acres own/DEM). Trail incomplete will revisit in Spring. Update
- x. **Latham Brook Preserve** (Burlingame Road (Latham Farm Road Entry) – 123 acres own) Paul Harrison has taken the lead. Update. Goal to mark trail and get signs, paint and volunteers. Set a date to help mark trails and map?
- xi. **Discuss need of equipment for trail building and maintenance.** See budget discussion.
- xii. **Matteo Farmland** (Swan Rd – 50 acres own) Still need a **member to volunteer** to do the management plan. update
- xiii. **Mowry Homestead:** Results of Site visit by Town Council and Workshop on 6/3/19.  
  
Outline of process to discuss future of Mowry House. Presented to town council at workshop.  
  
**Mowry Farmland:** Revive the Roots will give us an update on progress for the property.
- xiv. **Olivia's Forest** (Ridge Rd, 31 acres (donation by Mr. Gallo and from development). **Update Joe Siegel visited. 2019 Site visit complete.**
- xv. **Pavao Plat** (Evans Road 6.5 acres own (from development)).
- xvi. **Jim Russell Property** (Burlingame Road – 43 acres own).Site visit complete for 2019. The Small parking area on Burlingame needs to be leveled and cleared up-- project for spring.
- xvii. **Sasso Property** (Mann School Road 21 acres conservation easement).Marc Mahoney and Jeremiah Adler discussed a path from Mann School Rd into the Connors farm area. Discuss with property owner Larry Sasso . Put on list to work on this **spring 2019.**
- xviii. **Sleboda Farm** (Whipple Rd -56 acres-conservation easement) nothing new
- xix. **Captain Elisha Steere Farm**-(Booker) (W. Greenville Road. 8.54 acres conservation easement). **Annual site visit complete 2019**

- xx. **Steere Orchard** (Austin Avenue 20 acres conservation easement. Nothing new
- xxi. **Wolf Hill Forest Preserve** (Pleasant View Avenue 295 acres own)- Get Large copy of updated Trail Map. Public works is working on new parking area on Wolf Hill Rd along with Conservation. Discuss if we should get a new sign for that area with rules and perhaps a map? I think we need to repaint markings in this area as well. Set a date to remark the white trail and Mercer outlook area.
- xxii. **Facebook page for Land Trust**-update posted some updates pictures
  - b. Discuss updates on scout projects and other projects on Land Trust properties. **Discuss a program for Schools for volunteer and community projects.** Restart this program in the spring.
  - c. Discuss updates on Risk Management .
  - d. Discuss updates on Technical Review (Don/Barbara)-
  - e. Discuss upcoming Calendar—suggestions for events for Land Trust?

Two suggestions for Land Trust Days (August to End of Sept) 1. Flora and Fauna walk (Probably best on Wolf Hill) and Perhaps a Mowry Farm and House event perhaps a harvest time kind of event. Volunteers to help me work on these projects for planning the planning will happen in June.

- f. Discuss updates on **Conservation Commission** News (Don). Wolf Hill Rd, plans and expenses update. See Wolf Hill Forest Preserve.

VII. Public Comment (5 minutes)

VIII. Adjournment

**Next Meeting August 1, 2019. NO JULY MEETING**