SMITHFIELD LAND TRUST MEETING AGENDA
SMITHFIELD TOWN HALL
64 Farnum Pike, Esmond, RI 02917
THURSDAY November 7, 2019 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. Executive Closed Session: No business for 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 Oct 3, 2019, meeting be approved.
   b. Approve, Adopt and seal the minutes of the Executive Closed session of Oct 3, 2019.

V. Consider, discuss and act upon Schedule of Land Trust Meetings for 2020. See memo on Rules for filing Agendas.

VI. Treasurer’s report—Budget Report if received. New Year fiscal 2020.

VII. Consider, discuss and act upon update to signs. Proposed new wording. We have the inventory of signs with pictures. The signs are in the Conservation Center Office.

VIII. Consider, Discuss and act upon need of equipment for trail building and maintenance.

IX. Consider, discuss and act upon work space for Land Trust.

X. Consider, discuss and act upon honor boxes at trail heads for trail maintenance.

XI. Discuss Updates of 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). **2019 Annual site visit complete.**

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. Nothing new

ix. **Caroline E Judson Trust Property** (Williams Rd -56 acres own/DEM). Trail incomplete. The Judson House was put up for tax sale, it encompasses the house and 5 acres. Nothing new

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. **Matteo Farm:** (Swan Road, 50 acres) leased for 15 years to Jaswells. Update.

xii. **Mowry House:** **Curatorship Agreement has been updated and approved by Town Council. Agreement goes through February 2022.**

xiii. **Consider and Discuss ideas for future of Mowry House.**  
**Consider and Discuss Preservation Easement.** Hand out. Guest Robert Leach from Historic Preservation Commission.

xiv. **Mowry Farmland:** Revive the Roots will give us an update on progress for the property if available.

xv. **Olivia’s Forest** (Ridge Rd, 31 acres (donation by Mr. Gallo and from development). **2019 Site visit complete.**

xvi. **Pavao Plat** (Evans Road 6.5 acres own (from development)

xvii. **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 nothing done yet.
xviii. **Sasso Property** (Mann School Road 21 acres conservation easement). Nothing new

xix. **Sleboda Farm** (Whipple Rd -56 acres-conservation easement) nothing new

xx. **Captain Elisha Steere Farm**-(Booker) (W. Greenville Road. 8.54 acres conservation easement). **Annual site visit complete 2019**

xxi. **Steere Orchard** (Austin Avenue 20 acres conservation easement). Update.

xxii. **Wolf Hill Forest Preserve** (Pleasant View Avenue 295 acres own)- Discuss Trails. History of the Trail making, Maps, Grant from USDA for Wildlife Rehabilitation project.

xxiii. **Facebook page for Land Trust**-update

b. Discuss updates on scout projects and other projects on Land Trust properties. Water bars on Wolf Hill Forest Preserve, Eagle Scout Ben Reese and Paul Harrison.

c. Discuss updates on Risk Management .

d. Discuss updates on Technical Review (Don/Barbara)-

e. Discuss upcoming Calendar—suggestions for events for Land Trust?

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

XII. Public Comment (5 minutes)

XIII. Adjournment

**Next Meeting December 5, 2019**