

**SMITHFIELD LAND TRUST MEETING AGENDA**  
**SMITHFIELD TOWN HALL**  
**64 Farnum Pike, Esmond, RI 02917**  
**THURSDAY February 6, 2020 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. ss
  - IV. **Minutes:**  
Move that the minutes of the January 2, 2020, meeting be approved.
  - V. **Treasurer's report** – Budget report if received. New fiscal year 2020.
- Old Business:**
- VI. **Discuss update to signs.**  
Member volunteer to lead this project. We have the inventory of signs with pictures. The signs are in the Conservation Center Office.  
Cool Air Creations makes signs and have an office. Nothing new
  - VII. **Discuss Updates of Projects in Process**
    - a. Discuss update of Management Plans and annual site visits will be due during 2020 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).  
*Completed for 2019 by Cindy Mulvey*

- 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.  
*2019 Annual Site Visit Completed by Cindy Mulvey*
- x. **Latham Brook Preserve** (Burlingame Road (Latham Farm Road Entry) – 123 acres own) Need map and trail markings for trail put in by Paul Harrison.  
*2019 Site visit complete*
- 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. Curatorship agreement update for new tenants 12/1.
- xiii. **Olivia’s Forest** (Ridge Rd, 31 acres (donation by Mr. Gallo and from development). *2019 Site visit complete.*
- xiv. **Pavao Plat** Evans Road 6.5 acres own (from development)
- xv. **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.
- xvi. **Sasso Property** (Mann School Road 21 acres conservation easement). Nothing new
- xvii. **Sleboda Farm** (Whipple Rd -56 acres-conservation easement) Nothing new
- xviii. **Captain Elisha Steere Farm-(Booker)** (W. Greenville Road. 8.54 acres conservation easement). *Annual site visit complete 2019*
- xix. **Steere Orchard** (Austin Avenue 20 acres conservation easement). Update.

- xx. **Wolf Hill Forest Preserve** (Pleasant View Avenue 295 acres own)-  
**Discuss and consider Trail reconfiguration..** Site visit for reconfiguration of trails to be arranged. Removal of some trees to create unobstructed views of Stillwater Reservoir and other landmarks. The mapping will need to be updated and re-marking of trails to be done.

## REPORTS

- b. **Mowry House Future** Consider and discuss proposed Preservation easement. Subcommittee report – Barbara/Angelica
- c. **Discuss updates on scout projects and other projects on Land Trust properties.** Report – Paul
- d. **Discuss updates on Technical Review** (Don/Barbara)
- e. **Discuss upcoming Calendar—**  
Cindy Mulvey is working on a project for middle school students, our biologist volunteers Jim Gass and Jonathon Twining are being consulted. Identification of flora and fauna on the Wolf Hill Forest Preserve. Report - Cindy/Bob
- March 7 is the Land and Water Summit.** Barbara has info.
- f. **Discuss updates on Conservation Commission News** (Don).  
Wolf Hill Rd, plans and expenses update. See Wolf Hill Forest Preserve.

## NEW BUSINESS:

- VIII. Consider, discuss, and act upon Installation of Trail Counters on Wolf Hill. Barbara has info.
- IX. Social Media Engagement – Bob Sabo has expressed interest in updating Smithfield Land Trust page on Facebook.
- X. Discussion of Memorial for Thomas Robitaille – trail named in his honor, any other proposals.
- XI. Public Comment (5 minutes)
- XII. Adjournment

**Next Meeting March 5, 2020.**