SMITHFIELD LAND TRUST MEETING AGENDA
SMITHFIELD TOWN HALL
64 Farnum Pike, Esmond, RI 02917
THURSDAY March 5, 2020 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: Motion to go into Executive Closed Session pursuant to the following section(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 February 6, 2020 meeting be approved.

V. Treasurer’s report—Budget Report if received.

Old Business:

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. Clark Road (105 Clark Rd – 22 acres own from development).
      ii. D’Angelo Family Farm (Old County Road - 15 acres conservation easement).
      iii. Hanton City (Decotis Farm Road - 96 acres own
      iv. Hyde Tree Farm (Mann School Rd - 65 acres Conservation Easement/DEM)
      v. Hoar Farm (Austin Avenue 16 acres Conservation Easement) Eleanor Hoar has died. Current property owner might be her niece.
vi. **Matteo Farm:** (Swan Road, 50 acres) leased for 15 years to Jaswells.

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

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

ix. **Sasso Property** (Mann School Road 21 acres conservation easement).

x. **Sleboda Farm** (Whipple Rd -56 acres-conservation easement)

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

xii. **Wolf Hill Forest Preserve** (Pleasant View Avenue 295 acres own)- Discuss and consider Trail reconfiguration. Site visit for reconfiguration of trails to be arranged. The mapping will need to be updated and re-marking of trails. Possible removal of some trees to allow for view of Stillwater Reservoir.

b. **Mowry House Future** Consider, discuss, and act upon Preservation Easement. Paul will meet with Revive the Roots.

c. **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. Update

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. **Update**

   March 7 is Meet and Greet and Training Workshop organized by the Smithfield Town Council. 9 am to 12:30 pm, Smithfield Senior Center.

f. **Discuss updates on Conservation Commission News** (Don).

   Wolf Hill Rd, plans and expenses update. See Wolf Hill Forest Preserve.

NEW BUSINESS:

I. Consider and discuss an agreement with Jorge Aldana to lease a portion of Land Trust property behind 331 Log Road. Mr. Aldana wants to use the land for a vegetable garden.
II. Land Trust page on Facebook – Bob Sabo is maintaining the page. Update.

III. Discussion of Memorial Location for Thomas Robitaille – Sunflower garden or trail named in his honor.

VIII. Public Comment (5 minutes)

IX. Adjournment

Next Meeting April 2, 2020.