

SMITHFIELD LAND TRUST VIRTUAL MEETING AGENDA
THURSDAY September 3, 2020 6:00 P.M.

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AGENDA

- I. **Meeting Called to Order 6:00 PM**
- II. **Executive Closed Session** – Motion to go into Executive Closed Session pursuant to the following sections 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.
- III. Return to Open Session and disclose any votes or motions taken in Executive Session.

NEW BUSINESS:

- I. **Minutes:** Move that the minutes of the August 6, 2020 meeting be approved.
- II. **Treasurer's report**— Review of Land Trust Finances.
- III. **Review Mowry House Action Plan and schedule with Revive the Roots.** (Review of expenditures, item list, and timetable for renovations)
- IV. **Discussion and Vote to Request the Town Council to arrange an Appraisal of Mowry House.** (To determine the property's sale price – includes all outbuildings and acreage)
- V. **Discussion with Revive the Roots regarding the purchase of Mowry House** (grant applications, financing, etc.)

- VI. **Discuss and Review the revised draft for the Mowry House Preservation Easement.** (Subcommittee report) **Vote to send easement to the town council and their attorney for review.**
- VII. **Discuss and Vote on Extension of the Farm Lease for Mowry House (18 acres) so Revive the Roots can qualify for a Conservation stewardship grant with the USDA.**

Old Business:

- VIII. **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. **Hanton City** (Decotis Farm Road - 96 acres own)
 - iii. **Hyde Tree Farm** (Mann School Rd - 65 acres Conservation Easement/DEM)
 - iv. **Hoar Farm** (Austin Avenue 16 acres Conservation Easement)
 - v. **Judson Farm** – Cynthia Mulvey filed a site report dated July 10.
 - vi. **Mowry House** – (see new business)
 - vii. **Pavao Plat** Evans Road 6.5 acres own (from development)
 - viii. **Sleboda Farm** (Whipple Rd -56 acres-conservation easement)
 - ix. **Steere Orchard** (Austin Avenue 20 acres conservation easement). Update.
 - x. **Wolf Hill Forest Preserve** (Pleasant View Avenue 295 acres own)- Update on clean-up from Tropical Storm Isaias (Paul).
- IX. **Update on New Signs for Mountaindale Road parking area, Autumn Run trail** (behind the Conservation Center), **and entrance to Wolf Hill** (on Waterview Drive) (Barbara)
 - a. **Discuss upcoming Calendar – Land Trust Days**
 - b. **Thomas Robitaille Memorial Trail** – Discuss formation of subcommittee and timetable for completion.
- X. **Public Comment** (5 minutes)
- XI. **Adjournment**

Next Meeting October 1, 2020.