Foster Land Trust minutes November 1, 2016

Foster Land Trust (FLT) Eddy Building Foster, RI 02825

The meeting got underway at 7:13 p.m.

Those in attendance: Linda Los Tibbetts, Chair; Walter May, Treasurer; Kristen Cole, Secretary; Dennis Therrien; and Tom Boyden – FLT's newest member. Mike Carpenter and Myra Mercier were excused.

Minutes: The October minutes passed unanimously on a motion from Walter and 2nd from Dennis.

Public comment: Lon Chapman was in attendance; he is interested in serving on the FLT Board or becoming a volunteer.

Old business: The closing for the 2nd Spencer property took place on October 11. There was about \$53,000 in final costs and fees. There are no restrictions on the deed, although the Spencers would prefer no hunting on the property.

Stewardship: Dennis reported that there are several projects underway, two parking projects at **Spencer** and **Hayfield**; and a project to clear the pond at **Grass**. The parking project at **Spencer** should be completed in December. Work has not yet started at **Hayfield**. Dennis has also installed a new grate in the pond at **Spencer**.

Trapping season opened today. Dennis has set a beaver trap at **Hopkins** and the dam is broken up. There is no new beaver activity at **Spencer** or **Dunbar**.

Financial: Walter reported receiving a receipt from Frances Grass for gas for the mowing at the **Grass** property; and he will reimburse her for that expense.

Grants: Nothing new to report.

Liaison reports: Dennis reports that the Conservation Commission is creating a new Facebook site.

Public relations: The FLT would like to create its own Web site or Facebook site, something that we can control, maintain and change as necessary. It would include a listing of all FLT properties with locations and trail maps. Kristen will contact Lili Feinstein from the Northwest RI Supporters of Open Space to see if they have a volunteer with these skills.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:48 p.m. The next meeting will be held on December 6, 2016.

Respectfully submitted,

Kristen Cole