

Foster Land Trust Minutes

November 3, 2020

Benjamin Eddy Building, 6 South Killingly Road
(Virtual access by Zoom) Foster R. I.

Members in attendance:

Chair, Linda Los Tibbetts; Vice-Chair, Myra Mercier; Treasurer, Walter May; Secretary, Lawrence Chapman; Dennis Therrien, Tom Boyden and Mike Carpenter.

Meeting opened at:

- 7:00 p.m.

Minutes:

- Mr May moved to accept the October 6th Minutes. Ms Mercier 2nd and the motion passed.

Public Comments:

- Ms Tibbetts gave an overview of the FLT purpose and activities to visitors in attendance. Visitors included Heather and Don Minto , Zach Bain, and Loren Breene.

Old Business:

- Mr Carpenter presented an updated list of ongoing FLT projects which the Board reviewed.

Correspondence:

- A complaint was received regarding hunters vehicles blocking a neighboring driveway at an entrance to Hayfield. Mr May will look into resolving this issue.
- Information was received regarding a NRCS Habitat Management Grant. Mr Chapman will assist Ms Tibbetts with evaluating this for the Board.

Reports:

- Financial:
 - Mr May cited the common practice of storing town vehicles on private property as a justification for the FLT to garage our tractor on private property.
 - Mr Carpenter suggested the purchase of a block heater for the tractor.
- Grants:
 - A receipt for \$1500.00 for the purchase of auxiliary parts for the tractor will be submitted according to the legislative grant requirements.
 - New paperwork for the NRCS Agricultural Land Easement for Rotondo Farm may be needed for 2021.
- Liaison reports:
 - Conservation Commission:
Mr Therrien reports that an Earth Day clean up is planned for April.

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- Planning Board:
None to report

Stewardship-All properties:

- Mr Therrien has begun the trapping of beavers at Spencer Pond.
- Fallen pines obstructing the River trail at Spencer were removed.
- Mr Carpenter suggested the rebuilding of the culvert under the trail near the entrance of Spencer.

Public Relations:

- Ms Tibbetts completed the RILTC survey

Next meeting date / Future agenda items:

- December 1, 2020

Adjournment of public meeting:

- 8:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted:

Lawrence Chapman