

Foster Land Trust Minutes 05. 09. 2023

Foster Land Trust (FLT)

Benjamin Eddy Building, 6 South Killingly Road

Foster R. I.

Members in attendance:

Chair, Linda Los Tibbetts; Treasurer, Dennis Therrien; Secretary, Lawrence Chapman; Tom Boyden, Mike Carpenter and Zach Bain.

Meeting opened at:

- 7:05pm

Minutes:

- Mr Carpenter moved to accept the April 4th Minutes. Mr Boyden 2nd and the motion passed unanimously.

April 25 Executive Session Report:

- Mr Therrien moved to sign the Council fee agreement and the Conflict of Interest paperwork. Ms Tibbetts 2nd and the motion passed unanimously.
- A consensus was reached to be open to discussions with the Foster Preservation Society regarding the one room schoolhouse on East Killingly Rd.

Public Comments:

- None to report.

Correspondence:

- Al Pointe informed the Board that a North/South Trail hike was attended by 40 to 50 people.
- The Board received survey results showing no invasive Pine pests this year. Also that Gypsy Moths are now to be called Spongy Moths.
- Mr Carpenter intends to send a letter to DEM regarding recent forest damage due to insects.

- The Board received a Dept. of Agriculture National Woodland Owner Survey.

Reports:

- Financial:
 - Ms Tibbetts submitted Zoom reimbursements.
 - Mr Therrien submitted Feb. and March financial reports.
- Grants:
 - The reimbursement forms for the Trail Grants have been received at Town Hall.
- Liaison reports:
 - Conservation Commission:
 - Mr Therrien reports this was the best Earth Day to date with more volunteers collecting 5,000 lbs of refuse and all plants distributed.
 - Planning Board:
 - Mr Carpenter reports an Emergency Action Plan for the Gorham Dam on the Maurie Dunbar property is to be produced.

Stewardship-All properties:

- Mr Boyden and Mr Therrien worked with Joshua Stockwell of the BSA trimming branches and brush at the Hayfield property.
- The N E Mountain Bike Association will be receiving the allotted matching funds for work on the Tom Woods property.

Public Relations:

- None to report.

Next meeting date / Future agenda items:

- June 6th

Adjournment of public meeting:

- 8:10 pm

Respectfully submitted:

Lawrence Chapman