

Land Trust Minutes

October 3, 2023

Benjamin Eddy Building, 6 South Killingly Road

Members in attendance:

Chairperson, Linda Los Tibbetts; Vice Chairperson, Zach Bain; Treasurer, Dennis Therrien; Secretary, Lawrence Chapman; Tom Boyden, Mike Carpenter(excused) and Beth Smith.

Meeting opened at:

- 7:10 pm

Minutes:

- Mr Boyden moved to accept the Sept. 5th Minutes; Mr Therrien 2nd and the motion passed unanimously.
Sept. 5 Executive Minutes:
- Reported in Sept 5th Minutes.

Public Comments:

Samuel Vitu and Bryan Coppola, property owners adjacent to Tom Woods Preserve attended and expressed concerns regarding public access at Whippoorwill Terrace. The board agreed to add notices to FLT brochures, website and onsite posted signage. Notices will alert the public that Whippoorwill Terrace is not a public access point and that parking is not allowed, also private property signage will be prominently displayed at border lines.

New Business:

M. Sheehan reported to the Board that the property under discussion has been reassessed at \$180,000.00.

Old Business:

- None to report.

Correspondence:

- A request from RI DFW was received through M. Sheehan for property conservation.
- In response to Chief Lindell's request Mr Therrien moved to obtain accurate street addresses for the various FLT properties from Sue Dillon. Mr Chapman 2nd and the motion passed unanimously.

Reports:

- Financial:
 - None to report.
- Grants:
 - a. None to report.

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- Liaison reports:
 - Conservation Commission:
 - None to report.
 - Planning Board:
 - None to report.

Stewardship-All properties:

- Fallen trees have been cleared at Spencer and Tikkannen properties.
- Brush and small trees have been cleared at Dunbar.
- The border at Spencer West has been corrected.
- Vandalism has been discovered in the new parking areas at Spencer, Dunbar, and Tikkannen properties. Mr Boyden moved to obtain wildlife cameras to better monitor these areas. Mr Therrien 2nd and the motion passed unanimously.
- Discussion regarding the small property located on the south side of Tom Woods has been tabled.
- Discussion was held regarding yield to horse signage.

Public Relations:

- Discussion regarding offering use of FLT properties by the Foster Libraries for Story Book activities was held.
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Professional Development:

- Information on the The Trust Insurance cyber seminar was received.

Next meeting date / Future agenda items:

- November 7, 2023
- Dunbar dam, memorial bench for Myra Mercier and property acquisition to be addressed.

Executive Session:

- Not held.

Adjournment of public meeting:

- 9:15 pm

Respectfully submitted:

Lawrence Chapman

