

Foster Land Trust
Minutes November 5, 2019
Benjamin Eddy Building, 6 South Killingly Road

Members in attendance:

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

Meeting opened at:

- 7:05 pm

Minutes:

- Mr May moved to accept the October 1, 2019 Minutes. Mr Boyden 2nd and the motion passed.

Public Comments:

- None to report.

Correspondence:

- The FLT declined to participate in the RILTC program to organize hard copy and digital files.

Reports:

1. Financial:

- None to report..

2. Grants:

- None to report

3. Liaison reports:

- **Conservation Commission:**

- Mr Therrien reports planning for Earth Day will begin in January.
- The CC has distributed bags remaining from OHD to the libraries and DHS.

- **Planning Board:**

- None to report.

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Stewardship-All properties:

- Mr Therrien reports the Hayfield mill site has been cleared of fallen trees.
- Mr Boyden reports the spillway at Spencer West has been cleared of debris.
- Mr May reports that National Grid will top the dead pines adjacent the Spencer parking entrance to a level below the power lines.
- A request by Burt Congdon to use the FLT Walker property to remove harvested witch hazel from an adjacent property has been denied.
- Hull Forest Products request to harvest on the Sainio property has been denied.

Public Relations:

- The Recreation Dept. requested the FLT's involvement in Bright Night in Foster. The Board declined.

New Business:

- The October 8th workshop was productive.

Old Business:

- Ms Tibbetts has received no reply from the Nature Conservancy to our points of concern and conditions regarding the Windsor rd property transfer.
- Mr May moved that the property transfer be accepted under the conditions the FLT stipulated. Mr Therrien 2nd and the motion passed.
- Ms Tibbetts reports the FLT is the only applicant for the Plot7/Lot 80 Conservation easement. Also that there is no DEM Grant available.
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Next meeting date / Future agenda items:

- December 3 2019
- Mr May surveyed other area land trusts regarding issues of funding and acreage. The Gloucester and Scituate Land Trusts expressed interest in meeting with the FLT to discuss ideas and areas of cooperation.

Adjournment of public meeting:

- 9:20 p.m.

Respectfully submitted:

Lawrence Chapman