HOPKINTON LAND TRUST
TRUSTEES PUBLIC MEETING MINUTES
April 23, 2019

PRESENT: Marilyn Grant, Chair, Sarah Windsor, Vice-Chair, Carol Baker, Secretary, Paul Wilcox, Cynthia Johnson and Mary Gibbons, Trustees. Tom Thompson, Associate, Harvey Buford, Hopkinton Conservation Commission.

ABSENT: Ed Wood, Trustee.

A. Call to order at 7:07 by Grant with 6 trustees, and therefore a quorum, present.

B. Approval of previous meeting minutes: Minutes of April 9, 2019 Public and Executive minutes were reviewed and approved as well as placing Executive minutes under seal, passed unanimously.

C. Accounting of funds: None.

D. Reports
   Chair:
   Files: Chris Anderson continues to work on organizing land trust files, additional help is requested from trustees.

   Friends of the HLT:
   Thompson suggested a meeting between Friends and Land Trust to discuss roles, and responsibilities of between 2 groups, a meeting will be scheduled in the near future.

   Land Management and Stewardship:
   • Trail Camera: Wilcox reported he spoke with Matt Busby, trail steward at Pelloni Preserve, regarding placement of trail camera, are meeting later this week.
   • Expansion of Depot Square/Brushy Brook Trail update: Gina Fuller submitted her work Friday, still working on permit, Buford and Anderson were on site today to gather data on trail locations for application.
   • Crown Farm Preserve planning: Buford would like to plan for layout of trail locations. Discussion ensued regarding hiring Buford for his trail planning. Windsor made a motion to pay Buford a stipend to locate layout and GPS Crowne Preserve trails using GPS for $25 / hour not to exceed $200. Seconded by Johnson, passed unanimously.
   • Kenyon Crossroad Trail repair: Buford and Wilcox planning site visit soon, coordinating calendars, Thompson might join them.
   • Grills Preserve: Johnson spoke with Benn, who will go out and look and give us a quote, probably needs several loads of gravel.

Funding and Grants: None

E. Old Business: Amend Crown Farm Parking plan
Grant reported that contract was signed with CJ Doyle, walked property with her and Buford today. Doyle suggested surveying a potential secondary parking lot location by the surveyor already on the project and will be out there, and could be done for $300. Johnson made a motion, seconded by Gibbons to approve the additional expense, approved unanimously.

F. **New Business:** Thompson expressed concern about flooding on Canonchet Trail, which is TNC property. He will contact Cheryl Wiitala at TNC to discuss.

G. **Public Forum:** None.

H. **Executive Session** [pursuant to RI Gen. Law Ch.46 42-46-5a (5)]. At 8:07 PM, Johnson moved that we go into executive session, pursuant to R.I.G.L. 42-46-5 (a)(5), to discuss potential land acquisitions. Windsor seconded the motion, which carried by unanimous vote.

Return from Executive Session at 8:22 PM

G. **Adjourn** 8:45 PM

Respectfully submitted
Carol Baker, Secretary