

**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