

**HOPKINTON LAND TRUST**  
**TRUSTEES PUBLIC MEETING MINUTES**  
**November 26, 2019**

**PRESENT:** Marilyn Grant, *Chair*, Sarah Windsor, *Vice- Chair*, Carol Baker, *Secretary*, Mary Gibbons, Paul Wilcox (leaves at 7:41) and Cyndy Johnson, *Trustees*. Dan Baruti, *Public*. (leaves at 7...)

**ABSENT:** Ed Wood, *Trustee*.

**A. Call to order** at 7:02 by Grant with 6 trustees, and therefore a quorum, present.

**B. Executive Session** [pursuant to RI Gen. Law Ch.46 42-46-5a (5)]. At 7:03 PM, Wilcox moved that we go into executive session, pursuant to R.I.G.L. 42-46-5 (a)(5), to discuss potential land acquisitions. Wood seconded the motion, which carried by unanimous vote.

Return from exec session at 7:40 (*Baruti left at 7:24*)

Wilcox leaves at 7:41.

**C. Approval of previous meeting minutes:** Minutes of October 22 and November 12, 2019 Public and Executive minutes were reviewed and approved, passed unanimously, including sealing of Executive Minutes.

**D. Accounting of funds:** Citizens as of October 31, 2019, \$21,855. Webster's \$663,393.

**E. Reports**

**Chair:**

**Chair:** Next meeting December 10 @ 6 pm.

We need to follow up on Strategic planning mtg in future.

**Friends of the HLT:** Chris Anderson sent a written summary of recent work including administrative tasks such as sending updates to webmaster, scanning of document received by HLT for posting to the dropbox account, returning emails and phone calls. Many hours were devoted to the DEM Wetlands alteration application for the Brushy Brook Trail. All present expressed deep appreciation for all the work that Chris accomplishes for us.

**Land Management and Stewardship:**

• **Crown Farm Preserve planning:**

- Grant reported she signed contract with Key Corporation for \$18,650, with addition of \$850 for cutting and removal of dead tree outside parking area. Tree work was completed November 21. Survey work completed on Map 5 Lot 108 (triangle lot) by DiOrio Surveying, which was signed off by Town Planner Lamphere and recorded in the Town Clerks office. We are currently waiting on Bargain and Sale Deed from the Town via Council President Landolfi and Town Solicitor McAllister.

- Site visit made it apparent that original proposal of 12' paved apron will not be sufficient and should be extended an additional 6'. Gibbons made a motion, seconded by Johnson to authorize up to \$1,000 to Grant and Buford to decide upon whether to extend paved portion of driveway an additional 6 ft. Approved unanimously.
- Asphalt millings are a less expensive option for parking area and provide a more compacted surface. During discussion at last site visit, it was proposed to not clearing parking area for this winter to allow for settling of material. All agreed.

- **Funding and Grants:** Nothing new.

**F. Old Business:** N/A

**G. New Business:** N/A

**H. Public Forum:** None

**I. Executive Session** [pursuant to RI Gen. Law Ch.46 42-46-5a (5)]. If needed. None (see B.)

**J. Adjourn:** 8:24 PM

Respectfully submitted  
Carol Baker, Secretary