Bonnet Shores Land Trust (BSLT) Monthly Meeting October 1, 2015 Meeting Minutes

Call to Order

LT Chair, Terry Duffy, called the meeting to order. Those board members in attendance included Terry Duffy, Brad Sellon, Dave Stenmark, Jean Albert and Nancy Cordy.

Order of Business

The BSLT Board is in the process of formulating a long range plan to be developed in 2015-16.

Ted Reidy, experienced real estate attorney and former BSLT board member, was invited to the meeting to explore with the board the incorporation of paper roads for recreational and preservation uses.

The highlights of what was discussed are as follows:

1. The Bonnet Shores Fire District is a Municipal Entity and owns the paper roads. Paper roads are part of the original plat and as such are not subject to adverse possession claims.

2. The Fire District cannot limit the possible future uses of the paper roads for their intended purposes.

3. The question of certain roads being "abandoned" was discussed, but the process for that needs further exploration.

4. The paper roads were originally intended for vehicular travel; however, Ted does not think a lesser use (i.e., walking trails) would be prohibited.

*The board wishes to thank Ted for his time and expertise.

Following the discussion with Ted, the board decided that the paper road portion of Lake Rd. that cuts through Wolfe Rd. to Camden Rd. would be a good first project for the BSLT to work on. Those two paper roads are overgrown and impassable. The plan is to open them up as a walking trail.

Brad, Nancy and Jean will look into what needs to be done to proceed. They will contact DEM, contact the abutting property owners and contact possible landscape contractors for bids and report back to the board.

Other ideas the board is pursuing include: formulating a Solicitation letter (Terry Duffy will write) and Brad Sellon will provide David Stenmark a priority list of undeveloped lots within Bonnet Shores that could be potential acquisitions to the Land Trust.

*There will be a workshop meeting on 10/14/15 at 7:00pm to discuss Paper Road project progress and Fundraising ideas for the LT. (This meeting was cancelled) *Next monthly meeting will be on 11/4/15 at 7:00pm.

Dave Stenmark made a motion to adjourn the meeting and Brad Sellon secondit.

Respectfully submitted,

Mency Cordy