

Bonnet Shores Land Trust
Meeting Minutes
April 30, 2018

In Attendance: David Stenmark (Vice Chair), Nancy Cordy (Secretary), George Monaghan, Neal Colman
Absent: Eliot Gersten (Chair)

AGENDA ITEMS

- **Call To Order**

The meeting was called to order by DS at 6:07pm

- **Approval of the April 19th LT Meetings**

GM made a motion and DS 2nd it to approve the 4/19/18 Meeting Minutes (vote in favor 3-0 by GM, DS, NCordy).

- **Land Trust Budget for 2018-2019**

-NCordy made a motion to recommend to Council a LT Budget allocation of \$3500.00 for the upcoming year, GM seconded the motion. Motion carried 4-0. LT will submit in writing to the Treasurer an itemized proposal for the funds and present at the upcoming Budget Workshops.

-DS made a motion to request a loan from Council an amount not to exceed \$200,000.00 for Engineering and related costs with the understanding that the \$ will be paid back by the LT through Fundraising, Grants, etc.... Neal C. 2nd the Motion and it was opened for Public Comment. Natalie McDonald suggested the Motion be amended to include "with interest rate that is incurred by the FD". Motion was amended to read: "LT is requesting from FD Council a loan of money not to exceed \$200,000.00 for Engineering and related costs with the understanding that the money will be paid back with interest at the rate incurred by the FD". Motion carried 4-0. This motion will be sent to the Treasurer and presented at the Budget Workshops.

- **Walkway Project Update**

-NCordy reported that the Champlin Grant was mailed on 4/30/18. She also reported that there are Legislative Grants the LT may be able to apply for through Senator Sheehan and Rep. McEntee. She will look into it and report back.

-DS is expecting the Survey Documents next week and will then take the completed packet to the Town for Zoning approval and then to CRMC for an assent.

-DS and GM are expecting the proposal from GZA Engineering this week. GM believes their fee will be approximately 25% of the overall construction cost, which would be significantly higher than originally budgeted. DS and GM will write an RFP (for a definitive scope of work) this week and send out to two other engineering firms for their bids.

- **Old Business**

- **-BSBC (sewer project): Letter from Council and LT Chairs**

Letter was made part of the 4/19 LT Meeting Minutes

-LT Nominees: The LT is recommending to the Nominating Committee: George Monaghan, Terry Duffy and Brad Sellon for the three openings on the LT in June. All three gentlemen have served on the LT before and are very involved in the Walkway Project as well as the Community overall. They have a great deal of knowledge, experience and vision and will be a great asset to the LT and Bonnet Community.

- **-LT article for June Newsletter and Update on RILT Application**

EG was not present to report on these items. Nancy C. will check on their status. Newsletter article deadline is May 18th.

-Audubon properties in Bonnet: DS has recently spoken with AS Representatives and received an email re: giving the AS properties to LT. This will be put on the May agenda and discussed. DS will send copies of email to the other LT members. Information from LT will then be brought to FD Council.

- **New Business**

Neal Colman asked the LT's opinion on the potential water runoff problem that may occur as a result of the proposed expansion of the parking lot at St. Veronica Church which is located within the FD. After discussion, the LT felt that any concerns would be addressed by the Town of Narragansett as the church seeks all necessary permits.

- **The next LT meeting will be 5/23/18 at 6:00pm**
- **Adjournment**
 - DS made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:00p.m., GM 2nd it, motion carried 4-0.

Respectfully submitted,
Nancy Cordy