

Bonnet Shores Land Trust
Meeting Minutes
April 24, 2019

The meeting of the Land Trust was called to order by Len Mercier at 6:30 pm, at the Community Center.

Those in attendance included Marlene Bellini, Neal Coleman, George Monaghan and Chair Len Mercier. Bonnet resident Joseph Iannucci also attended meeting.

Approval of Minutes: George moved to approve the March meeting minutes, seconded by Neal, all in favor.

Old Business:

Report on Audubon Land Transfer Update

Lenny reported that he had met with Audubon Executive Director Larry Taft earlier today, the 24th. Mr. Taft and Lenny reviewed the Conservation Easement that had been updated by the Audubon's attorney. There are some items that we were recommending that were accepted and some were not, with explanations. The Land Trustees reviewed the updated draft document and it was decided to have our attorney, Martha Day, review the changes. For our protection Larry Taft recommended that we have our attorney do an Environment Hazard Assessment, reviewing to see if DEM has any files related to these parcels of land. Lenny will talk with attorney Day about this.

Brochure for Land Trust

Work continues on the map to be included in the brochure.

New Business

Roger Williams University Student Presentation

All plans are set for the students to share their Presentation on ideas for walking/biking and nature paths throughout Bonnet. Meeting will be on Saturday, April 27th, 2019, 10:00 AM, Community Center.

Schedule next meeting

The next meeting of the Land Trust will be Wednesday, May 29th, 2019, 6:30 PM, Community Center.

Other Business

Land Trust Budget for 2019-2020

Discussion of the budget for the 2019-2020 Land Trust budget for the District. It was decided to request the same budget as this year as funds will be needed related to the Audubon land transfer. Lenny will pass that on to Mary.

Land Trust Course at URI

Neal will be attending a one night course on Land Trusts, at URI on May 1st. If anyone has questions for him to get answers on please get them to him before the 1st.

Adjournment: Meeting was adjourned at 7:20 PM.

Len Mercier, Clerk Pro Temp