

Bonnet Shores Land Trust
Meeting Minutes
Monday, October 26, 2020
Zoom Meeting

The meeting of the Land Trust was called to order by Len Mercier at 6:30 pm via Zoom Internet Conferencing.

Those in attendance included Trustee's George Monaghan, Neal Colman, Salvatore Loporchio, Arthur Hardy and Chair Len Mercier. Community members attending included Mary Mason and Walter Manning.

Approval of Minutes:

Minutes of the September 2020 meeting were be available and voted on at the next meeting.

Old Business:

Brochure for Land Trust

The informational brochure was reviewed and the trustees made a few grammatical changes. George Monaghan will make the changes and it was decided that once the changes were made, Lenny and George would approve the document and have it distributed through the e-blast system. The trustees asked to have it noted that George Monaghan had done the compiling of the information and that the title of the document would be "The Bonnet Shores Land Trust Update – 2020". Many thanks go to George for his many hours of research and design of the brochure.

Walking Trail

Neal Colman and John Carvalho will be walking into the woods behind the Community Center, cutting in an entry to see if it would be a good area for a nature trail. At tonight's meeting, Lenny provided a viewing of Arial videos and pictures taken by a neighbor of Neal's. These videos and photos showed the wooded area behind the Community Center and a trail, once used by National Grid, now vacant. Neal will research this and report at the next meeting. One thought is to have a trail lead from the Community Center and connect with a trail off Spring Brook. The Spring Brook trail runs to the URI Marine Campus. Much work would need to be done on both trails. This planning work will continue.

New Business:

There will not be a meeting in November or December unless something warrants a meeting. Lenny will set a meeting after the beginning of the year.

Public Comment:

Walter Manning asked about the work being considered for the Little Beach area. Trustees explained that the Little Beach project is a separate committee from the Council and that at this time the Land Trust is not really

involved. The Land Trust would have to be involved at a later time as the Little Beach property is actually under the Land Trust, but funded by the Community. Walter mentioned that if the need arises his son's and his company could help at cost, saving quite a bit of funds for the community.

Adjournment: Meeting was adjourned at 7:30 PM.

Len Mercier, Clerk Pro Temp