



SMITHFIELD LAND TRUST MEETING

64 Farnum Pike
 Smithfield, RI 02917
 Thursday, May 7, 2026 6:00 P.M.

Agenda

- I. **Meeting Called to Order 6:00 PM**
- II. **Emergency Evacuation and Health Notification**
- III. Approve the minutes of the 04-02-2026 Land Trust Meeting.
- V. Treasurer's report—update
- VI. **New Business:**
- VII. Welcome Brenton DelGrande our new alternate member.
- VIII. Business cards for members. Name, phone e-mail ?

Old Business

- IX. Discussions about donations and gifts of land. What we can do. Get information from the National Land Trust Alliance, RI Land Trust council. **riandtrusts.org** Great deal of information and links to Land Trust Alliance. We need someone to put together some ideas from the website.
- X. Discuss events we may want to attend or create for our outreach. Work with Tom and his lists. Other resources might be the **Observer, Smith Appleby House events, Smithfield Truck night at Deerfield Park? Annual Land Trust Days event** or more than one-- comes up August to October. We can create one anytime.

XI. **Report by Tom Gruzka** Update We are receiving a \$4000 donation from Sandy Walsh's family foundation to **honor Tom**. Discuss what tools we would like to get report back to Sandy Walsh and report to the Town Council.

XII. **Conservation Commission** Update

XIII. **Technical Review Committee**-update No recent meeting

XIV. **Signs** Update : **Banner for events**: Other published materials we might want to get to have to hand out about Land Conservation and Agriculture and the importance of wild life habit, etc Land Trust Alliance and RI Land Trust Council can be helpful.

XV. **Property Updates To be added**

XVI. **Work Session :**

Discuss items for a future work session such as Arc GIS, Facebook, and organizing data, Google Drive other items. Schedule a time

Virginia Streeter RILTC is available for training on ArcGIS Online tools and assistance with mapmaking! vstreeter@rilandtrusts.org

XVII. Events and Learning Events and follow-up events:

1. May 13 6pm -7:30 via Zoom Property Monitoring Program

Registration required RILTC Property Monitoring Training & Circuit Rider Program. Field experiences and one on one support opportunities will be available over the next few months.

2. Comprehensive Plan – Community Values to be rescheduled June 30.

3. Charter Review Status of our changes and request

4. Agenda items for next meeting.

XVIII. EXECUTIVE CLOSED SESSION

Motion to go into Executive closed session pursuant to the following section(s) of the Rhode Island General Laws: 42-46-5 (a)(5)-Real Estate: for any and all discussions or considerations related to the acquisition or lease of Real property for public purposes.

XV. Reconvene in public session to announce any closed session votes.

XVI.Public Comment

XVII. Adjournment

Next meeting 6-4-26

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