

**Richmond Rural Preservation Land Trust
January 7, 2019
5:30 P.M. Town Hall**

Please note: Any matter listed on this agenda may be acted upon by RRPLT

Call to Order: 5:32 PM

Roll Call: S. Paton, D. Poyer, J. Berry (ex-officio), R. Anderson, R. Swanson, A. Fox
Not Present: J.Beuth, N. Hess (ex-officio)

Motion to not print Agenda and Minutes prior to each meeting, R. Anderson, R. Swanson 2nd, All Ayes.

Approval of Minutes: Motion to approve December Regular Minutes with corrections, R. Anderson, R. Swanson 2nd - All Ayes

Motion to approve December Executive Session Minutes, R. Swanson, D. Poyer 2nd, All Ayes

Communications: S. Paton received a donation for \$50. A.Fox will check with Town Hall regarding postcards and postage resources for thank you cards. A. Fox will send a thank you to the donor.

Approval of Invoices for Payment: None.

Public Forum: None.

Old Business

1. Member Reports

S.Paton reported that the spadefoot toad project is moving forward. A.Fox 's father has agreed to provide an excavator and operator but needs more information on the project. Dates set to perform project are May 14-16, 2019. There was a discussion of reaching out to the Friends of the Land Trust for volunteer help during the pool construction period.

S. Paton reported that Shaun McBurney noticed two cars had been broken into New Year's Eve/Day at the Crawley Preserve. He picked up the mess from the auto glass. S.Paton will notify SK Police of the incident.

2. Land Trust Brochure Discussion

A.Fox says work is continuing on the brochure and will have a more robust draft to show at the February meeting. There was a discussion of delaying brochure printing to obtain photos of the preserves in late Spring.

3. Stewardship Committee Discussion

Continued the ongoing discussion of forming a stewardship committee. Tasks such as trailblazing, parking lot creation at the Salia Preserve, general trail maintenance, and preserve stewardship were

discussed. Need to establish a network of volunteers. D. Poyer suggested the idea of "stewardship days". S.Paton shared the USFWS' group, "The Tuesday Club", a group of volunteer carpenters, and how they build items that the various USFWS properties need. D. Poyer suggested we create a clear structure and plan for the stewardship committee, then reach out to prospective stewards and volunteers. Next steps: come up with a structure for the stewardship committee.

4. Board Membership Discussion

S.Paton brought up board vacancy and shared some names that might be a good fit. She will reach out to these individuals to gauge their interest.

R. Anderson stated we need to have the election of officers for 2019. This will be on the agenda for the February meeting.

New Business:

1. Consideration of FY '20 Budget Request

Board discussion and updating of FY 20 Budget Request.

Motion to enter executive session, D. Poyer, R. Swanson 2nd, S. Paton-aye, A. Fox -aye, R. Anderson-aye

EXECUTIVE SESSION - Yes 7:02 P.M.

EXECUTIVE SESSION PURSUANT TO R.I. GEN. LAWS SECTION AS AMENDED 1956, CHAPTER 42-46-5(a)(2) SESSIONS PERTAINING TO COLLECTIVE BARGAINING OR LITIGATION AND CHAPTER 42-46-5(a)(5) TO DISCUSS ACQUISITION OF PROPERTY FOR PUBLIC PURPOSES.

Motion to exit executive session- D. Poyer, R. Swanson 2nd, R. Anderson-aye, S. Paton-aye, A. Fox-aye

Motion to seal the January 2019 Executive Session, D. Poyer, R. Swanson 2nd, A. Fox-Aye, R. Anderson-Aye, S. Paton-Aye

Next Agenda:

1. Review Items for the next agenda
 - Election of Officers for 2019
 - Board Member Recruitment
 - Land Trust Brochure

Motion to adjourn, D. Poyer, R. Swanson 2nd, All Ayes

Adjourn: 7:12 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,



Ayla Fox
Clerk, RRPLT