

Lincoln Land Trust

Tuesday, April 12th, 2011

Present: Janet Butler, Betty Allen, Janice Ferry

I. Call to order – 7:11

II. Public Comment – none

III. Minutes – the minutes of the February meeting were read. Betty made a motion to accept the minutes, seconded by Janet. The reading of the March minutes was postponed until the next meeting.

IV. Correspondence

a) DEM - received from Janet Coit, the new director of DEM, announcing that DEM is accepting applications for RI Local Open Space Matching Grants for Land Conservation Projects beginning March 28th and ending May 27th.

b) Al Ranaldi – Town Planner Ranaldi informed the Land Trust that the town will explore two properties for open space acquisition and has asked that the Land Trust review the properties and prioritize them.

The town will apply for a RI Local Open Space Matching Grant to purchase one of the properties. Janet will contact Glen Jergensen (owner) for permission for the Land Trust to visit the property for this

purpose.

V. Old Business

a) Legislative Grant – the trees have arrived from the Arbor Day Foundation. These will be planted at various sites and nurtured for a time before they are distributed to town residents.

b) Land and Water Conservation Summit - Janet Butler and Steven Allen attended the summit. Presentations attended included Historic Preservation versus Conservation and Zero Balance Budgeting. Questions arose regarding whether or not the Land Trust could conduct fundraising activities or take donations.

VI. New Business

a) Spring Walks – a few months ago Betty suggested a walk at the Narrows. However, this will not be possible as it is a Superfund Site. Peter Moreau will conduct a walk on Chase Farm on a date to be determined – perhaps in May or in the fall.

Janet suggested that we consider a snowshoe walk or a four seasons walk.

b) Earth Day Cleanup – it was suggested that the Land Trust sponsor a clean-up in the fall.

c) ATB Grant – Judy will scan the required maps for printing. Once

that is done, we will work to assemble the final tree surveys at a future meeting.

VII. Adjourn – the meeting was adjourned at 8:10.