

Colchester Land Trust November 13, 2008

Meeting Location Cragin Memorial Library

Present: Cindy Praisner, Lisa Hageman, Helene Hochholzer, Pete Dane, Leslie Curtis, Barry Ford, Gary Ridell, Kitty Stanton, Andy George.

Meeting called to order by Lisa Hageman at 7:05PM.

Minutes from the Oct. 9 meeting were reviewed but acceptance was tabled until the December meeting.

After a short discussion concerning notification to higher level supporters, the following motion was made:

Motion: Pete Dane, or designee, will call higher-end supporters (\$500.00 or over) and personally thank them for their support.
Motion: Andy George; Second: Barry Ford; In favor: All; Opposed: None.

Financial statements: Cindy indicated that she and our CPA were in the process of aligning all entries in the Quick Books. The current statement will be presented to the membership at the December 2008 meeting.

Gateway Sign: Barry presented two models of a proposed sign to be placed at a prominent position near the Gateway property. This sign will recognize the appropriate agencies and foundations that supported this project. Barry described the durability of the sign. The cost for this is approximately \$1000.00.

Motion: Pending approval of the sign by the DEP (Helene will check on this) and adding the Bafflin Foundation to the list of donors, the CLT will install the sign for approximately \$1000.00. Motion: Barry Ford; Second: Pete Dane; In favor: All; Opposed: None.

CLT Phone Book: Leslie presented an update on the status of the phone book. At the present time \$17,725.00 has been raised to advertise in the phone book. The phone book will be distributed in December 2008.

Organizational Assessment: Lisa stated that there will be a conference call to be held on Nov. 17 from 7-8PM. We will be talking to a consultant who advise the CLT as to the steps that can be taken to improve our organization.

Funding Committee: Pete presented his research and observations concerning opportunities for foundation money to support the CLT's activities. He explained his spread sheet. He agreed to distribute the spread sheet to other members of the CLT. At this time Cindy said she was going to pursue a grant from Pratt and Whitney to support our stewardship efforts.

Farmland/Agriculture Workshops: Lisa distributed information concerning workshops to be held throughout the state in December 2008. Leslie and Andy indicated that they could attend the workshop in Lebanon on Dec. 4.

Motion: To enter into executive session and invite all the Board member of CLT.

Motion: Leslie Curtis; Second: Andy George. In favor: All; Opposed: None.

Executive Session: The Board entered executive session at 8:37 PM.

The Board came out of executive session at 9PM.

Motion to adjourn: Andy George, Second: Leslie Curtis. In favor: All; Opposed: None.