



**Lower Connecticut River Land Trust  
04/16/19 MEETING MINUTES  
LCRVCOG Office, 145 Dennison Rd., Essex**

**Board Members In Attendance:** Michael Maniscalco, Anthony Salvatore, Lauren Gister, Bonnie Reemsnyder, Melvin Woody, Claire Matthews (alternate)

**Board Members Not In Attendance:** Cathy Iino, Noel Bishop

**Other:** Torrance Downes, Margot Burns, Paula Fernald

The meeting was called to order at 9:00 am by Michael Maniscalco.

**Motion:** To add to the agenda as 4a a letter of support for the Connecticut NERR.

**Motion made by:** Lauren Gister

**Seconded by:** Anthony Salvatore

**Voted:** Motion approved unanimously

**Motion:** To approve the minutes of the March 19, 2019 meeting.

**Motion made by:** Lauren Gister

**Seconded by:** Anthony Salvatore

**Voted:** Motion approved unanimously

**Financial**

Account signer signatures were acquired for the just opened endowment account at Liberty Bank.

**Non-Profit Revitalization Act of 2013 (NY State)**

Margot explained the requirement of the applied for Long Island Sound Stewardship Fund to be in compliance with the New York Non-Profit Revitalization Act of 2013 to accept funding. Examples of A Conflict of Interest Policy (required) and a Confidentiality Agreement (not required) were handed out for board

review. It was agreed that the examples should be edited for the LCRLT and that they will be signed at the next meeting in May. There is also a \$25.00 Fee for registration.

#### **LTE Board Participation Discussion**

Discussion concerned board representation of the Lower Connecticut River and Coastal Region Land Trust Exchange (LTE) and LTE input that had been gathered at the last LTE meeting held the beginning of April. It was agreed that the LTE should provide a liaison representative to attend meetings and provide LTE input as a 1st step in the process to measure LTE commitment to board membership.

#### **NERR Letter of Support**

**Motion:** To have staff send a letter in support of Federal designation by NOAA for the CT National Estuarine Research Reserve (NERR).

**Motion made by:** Bonnie Reemsnyder

**Seconded by:** Lauren Gister

**Voted:** Motion approved unanimously

**Motion:** To adjourn the meeting at 9:21

**Motion made by:** Bonnie Reemsnyder

**Seconded by:** Tony Salvatore

**Voted:** Motion approved unanimously