## WILLOWSFORD CONSERVANCY Meeting of the Board of Trustees November 7, 2018

## Minutes

Attending: Rick DiBella, Chris Bodley, Mary Hegedus, Claudette Papathanasopoulous, Mark Trostle, Stacey Kessinger - Trustees; Iris Gestram, Executive Director and Collin Thompson, Farm Manager. Absent: Stan Settle.

Call to Order: The meeting was called to order at 4:31pm.

Approval of Agenda: Motion passed 6-0.

Minutes: Approved. Motion passed 6-0.

## **New Business:**

- 2019 Budget Review and Approval
  - Farm Business Plan The Board reviewed the Farm Business Plan with the new Farm Manager, Collin Thompson.
  - Conservancy Budget The Board reviewed the Conservancy budget, presented by Executive Director Iris Gestram. Iris pointed out that the 2019 budget is the first year the Conservancy's non-farm operations are projected to break even.
  - o 2019 Resident Assessments The annual resident assessment increase is a \$10/month increase from 2018 to a total of \$360 per household, per year.
  - Mark Trostle moved to approve the 2019 Conservancy Budget as proposed by staff including the increased assessment to the residents to \$360 yearly. Rick DiBella seconded the motion. Motion passed 6-0.
- Resident Board Members The Board discussed the procedure and timing to add additional resident board members to the Conservancy Board. This will be explored further at a future date. During the Founder Appointment Period, the Founder is authorized to appoint all board members.
- 2019 Meeting Dates o 3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesday of every 2<sup>nd</sup> month with exceptions noted as follows: January 15, March 26 (4<sup>th</sup> Tuesday), May 21, July 16, Sep 19, Nov 5 (1<sup>st</sup> Tuesday).
- Mary Hegedus moved to authorize Daniel Autino, Timber Ridge Management VP of Finance, to conduct business on behalf of Willowsford Conservancy. Motion was seconded by Mark Trostle. Motion passed 6-0.

Old Business: None

## **Executive Director Report:**

- County Property Tax Exemption Request – Mark Trostle reported that the Conservancy and Development team were not successful in the county property tax exemption request to the Board of Supervisors.

Next Meeting Date: January 15, 2019 at 4:30 pm.

Meeting adjourned by Mark Trostle at 5:28 pm