CALL TO ORDER: The regular meeting of the Schoharie Land Trust Board of Directors was called to order by Ken Hotopp at 7:30 PM at the Cobleskill Public Library in Cobleskill on 16 January 1991.

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:
Elliott Adams
Catherine Harwood
Ken Hotopp
O'Donnell
Dan Schuppel
Scouten-Ford
Robert Smith
Townsend
Mary Jo
Sandra
John

BOARD MEMBERS EXCUSED:
Eugene McCaffrey
Karl Westphal

"FARMLAND FOR EVER" VIDEO It was moved by Robert Smith and seconded to authorize Mary Jo O'Donnell to look into American Farmlands Trust's videotape titled "Farmlands for Ever" and if it is appropriate to SLT's needs authorizing her to purchase it. The motion carried.

OPEN SPACE CONSERVATION PLAN A comprehensive report was given on the "Open Space Conservation Plan" hearings.

LEGAL COUNCIL It was unanimously agreed to authorize Dan Schuppel to follow up on some leads and pick a pro bona attorney to work on SLT's 501c3 application. John Townsend will provide a copy of the application file.

MINUTES of the 21 November and 19 December 1991 meetings were approved as corrected.

TREASURER REPORT The treasurer reported a bank balance of $1330.15 with expected bills of about 200 and expected receipts of about 2000.

CORRESPONDING SECRETARY REPORT The secretary reported that mailing out the meeting notices is costing about $300 per year. It was agreed to refer any culling of the mailing list to the membership committee.

LEAVE OF ABSENCE Robert Smith may not, over the next 3 or 4 months, be able to commit to the SLT as much time as called for in the Board of Director's agreement. He therefore offered to resign. The rest of the Board unanimously agreed that it would be in the best interests of the SLT to give him a temporary exemption from the time commitment requirements.

COMMITTEES A motion was made by Robert Smith, seconded and past unanimously to approve the committee structure as
presented. (A copy of same is attached to these minutes.)

COMMITTEE APPOINTMENTS The following committee appointments were made. Further appointments will be made soon.

Land Acquisition and Maintenance:
  Karl Westphal          Mary Jo O'Donnell
  Dan Schuppel          Sandra Scouten Ford
Membership
  John Townsend          Sandra Scouten Ford
  Elliott Adams
Publicity and Public Relations
  Bob Smith              Karl Westphal
  Ken Hotopp
Finance and Budget
  Catherine Harwood     Elliott Adams
Fund Raising
  John Townsend          Karl Westphal
KAPLAN FOUNDATION Since SLT's 501c3 has not been approved, it was agreed that a letter would be sent to the Kaplan Foundation informing them that we will not be applying for a grant at this time.

STANDING COMMITTEE POLICY This draft policy was reviewed but no action on it was postponed.

COMMITTEE CHAIRPERSON A motion was made by Elliott Adams, seconded and carried, to authorize the President to appoint the chairperson of all committees.

COMMUNITY SUPPORTED AGRICULTURE COMMITTEE The committee reported on plans for a CSA informational workshop in the spring.

LTA SEMINARS Mary Jo O'Donnell gave a report on a tape of a seminar, about strategic planning, from the LTA Rally.

NEW YORK ENVIRONMENTAL INSTITUTE MEETING It was moved by Bob Smith, seconded and passed, that SLT pay the $20 registration fee for up to three people to attend this 30 January meeting, whether or not they are members of SLT.

NEXT MEETING: The next meeting will be on the third Thursday as usual, 17 February 1992, from 7:30 pm to
9:30 pm at the Cooperative Extension Office in Cobleskill.
ADJOURNMENT: The meeting was adjourned at 9:30 pm.

Elliott D. S.
Adams
Recording Secretary