First Annual Meeting

CALL TO ORDER: The 1991 annual meeting of the Schoharie Land Trust was called to order by Bob Smith at 8:02 PM at the Cooperative Extension Office in Cobleskill on 16 May 1991.

MEMBERS PRESENT:
Elliott Adams   Catherine Harwood
Ken Hotopp    Mary
Jo O'Donnel
   Denis O'Sullivan    Dan
Schuppel
   Sandra Scouten-Ford
   Robert Smith
   John Townsend      Karl
Westphal

AUTHORIZED PAYMENTS- A motion made by Elliott Adams and seconded to authorized the treasurer to make the following payments was carried unanimously.
$70 to Bob Smith for expense incurred Humback presentation
$5 to Denis O'Sullivan for video tape
$10 to Catherine Harwood for expenses incurred
$20 for membership in Land Trust Alliance

VECA- Karl Westphal will contact Keith Parslow about a check from VECA

PARCEL PROPOSAL LIST- DEC's list of areas that "have public benefit" has finished the initial stages for this area and will be forwarded to DEC. Carl Stefanik of the County Health Dept. has chaired the committee for this area. Denis O'Sullivan offered and was authorized to research the owners of land on the list if this would be useful for the Trust.

MEETING NOTICES- Authorization was given to put notices of meetings in the papers and to mail out meeting notices to members.

EASEMENTS should be the topic of a training session for the Board members soon.

TAX STATUS- Work will begin on the 501c3 as soon as forms come. HUMBACK PRESENTATION RESPONSE- Generally the presentation was well received. Planning Boards felt he was right on. Albany County Farm Bureau expressed some concerns which were answered. Schoharie County Farm Bureau president was quite strong in this questioning at the presentation. It was agreed that it is important for the Land Trust understand farmers
concerns and reservations about various land use ideas. Additionally it is important that it is clear to Schoharie Farm Bureau members and the public at large that the Land Trust does not necessarily espouse Humback's ideas, but felt they were important enough to be heard and therefore sponsored the presentation. Trust members should contact Farm Bureau members on a one to one to convey this. There are two video tapes of the presentation.

ELECTIONS- Karl Westphal moved, for the nomination committee, the following people for the Board of Directors, for the terms stated (which were drawn at random), it was seconded and carried unanimously;

Elliott Adams  2yr   Catherine Harwood  1yr
Ken Hotopp     2yr   Eugene McCaffrey  3yr
Mary Jo O'Donnel 3yr  Dan Schuppel  3yr
Sandra Scouten-Ford 2yr  Robert Smith  1yr
John Townsend  1yr   Karl Westphal  1yr

Karl Westphal moved, for the nomination committee, and it was seconded and carried unanimously, the following Board members for the offices noted;

Ken Hotopp    President
Mary Jo O'Donnel  Vice-President
Catherine Harwood  Treasure
John Townsend  Corresponding Secretary
Elliott Adams  Recording Secretary

BONDING TREASURER, while unnecessary now, should be looked into at some future date.

RESPONSIBILITIES OF DIRECTORS agreement will be developed at the next meeting. Karl Westphal will bring a sample copy. MINUTES for the 17 January 1991 and 18 April 1991 meetings were approved as corrected.

NEXT MEETING: A meeting has previously been set for 20 June 1991 at 8 pm at the Cooperative Extension Office in Cobleskill.

ADJOURNMENT: The meeting was adjourned at 9:44 pm.
Elliott D. S. Adams

Recording Secretary