

Minutes of subcommittee meeting re creating Hull Land Conservation Trust, 11-11-2006

Present: Dick Avery, Judeth Van Hamm, Karen Farber

Sources of information:

- The Trustees of Reservations: Land Conservation Options, Guide for MA Landowners
- The Trust for Public Lands: Rescuing Wetlands Close to Home by Anne Schwartz, 800-714-5263
- Land Trust Alliance: Exchange

Donation of land

- Land could go to Town
- Conservation restriction could go to Hull Land Trust, Weir River Watershed Association, Wildlands Trust
- Land requires management plan, including money and volunteers
- Is there a lawyer who would help, Michael Nuesse, David Kellem?

Actions

1. See if Conservation Commission fund can be used
2. Set up Hull Land Conservation Trust
3. Publicize the Weir River Estuary Land Protection Plan
4. Learn how to obtain Self-Help Funds
 - Ask Town Manager to inquire
5. Contacting owners
 - Someone who knows the owner is the best initial contact person
 - Group of three to sit down with owner
 - Find out owner's intentions—what do they see as the future of the land
 - What is the meaningfulness of the land to the owner
 - Is the owner interested in keeping memories
 - Talk about options without being specific
 - Offer assurance of long term care
6. Where does Rivers Act apply?