



## South Burlington Land Trust Annual Meeting Minutes

April 7, 2019

Ridgewood Clubhouse, Swift Street, South Burlington.

Attendees: Please see list below.

Sarah Dopp, President, opened the meeting at 7:05 following the potluck dinner.

Sarah reported to those present the accomplishments and activities of the SBLT during the previous year.

Elections were held for expiring Board member terms. Sarah requested nominations for the 3 yr terms currently held by herself, Karen Ryder, and Allan Strong. Janet Bellavance made a motion that these Board members continue for three more years. Barbara Waters seconded. All present voted "aye". There is one a vacancy for a two year term. Janet Bellavance was nominated by Penne Tompkins and seconded by Karen Ryder. Janet introduced herself. She was unanimously elected. There remains a one year term and, when current Board member Sophie Mazowita moves in June, there will be an additional two year term. Please contact us if interested.

Sarah invited all who were present to attend the SBLT Board meetings which are held on the last Wednesday of each month.

Sarah introduced Jon Binhammer from the Nature Conservancy. John gave a brief history of the conservation of the lands around Shelburne Pond. Currently, the Ewing property which straddles both South Burlington and Shelburne in this area is in the conservation process. He announced that 9 ½ acres of this property is in South Burlington. South Burlington is close to approving a \$20,000 donation for this project from the Open Space fund. Helen Riehle, City Council Chair, added that it remains for the City Council to give its approval after public input. The larger Shelburne piece is nearly closed.

Following John's presentation, Sophie Mazowita, who currently heads the Master Naturalist program in South Burlington, shared her slides and knowledge of the wildlife corridors in South Burlington. Attendees followed the maps of corridor locations and viewed the animals and tracks she has photographed over the past several years within the South Burlington's boundaries. Sophie described the food and habits of these animals which included otters, fisher cats, bobcat, coyotes and smaller mammals.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:00 pm.

The next Board meeting is scheduled for 4:30 pm Wednesday April 24 at the Northfield Savings Bank on Shelburne Rd.

Respectfully submitted,

Karen Ryder  
Secretary

Attendees:

Paul	Bakeman
Janet	Bellavance
Steve	Crowley
Wes	Daum
Sarah	Dopp
Meaghan	Emery
Rosanne	Greco
Donna	Harley
Nancy	Hellen
Carol	Hignite
Aaron	Jensen
Bill	Keeton
Jane	King
Larry	Kupferman
Sophie	Mazowita
Betty	Milizia
Michael	Mittag
Duncan	Murdoch
Lisa	Nawrocki
Ann	Pugh
Ted	Riehle
Helen	Riehle
Ron	Rondeau
Karen	Ryder
Janet	Schneider
Heidi	Sonoda
Allan	Strong
Beth	Thorpe
Penne	Tompkins
Barbara	Waters
Nancy	Wright