METACOMET LAND TRUST

Please Join Us at Our Annual Meeting and Program
Sunday, May 19, 2019

1:00 p.m. Enjoy refreshments and bid on our wonderful silent auction items
1:30 p.m. Business Meeting & Community Spirit Award Presentation
2:00 p.m. Program with guest speaker Doug Harris
4:00 p.m. Optional walk with Doug Harris in Heritage Park (weather permitting)

Nipmuc Regional High School, 90 Pleasant Street, Upton, MA
Professional Development Center, 2nd Floor

Guest Speaker: Doug Harris, Let the Landscape Speak

Our speaker will be Doug Harris, the Deputy Tribal Officer for the Narragansett Indian Tribal Historic Preservation Office (NITHPO), who works to advocate for the preservation of Ceremonial Landscapes throughout our region. He is a 22-year veteran for implementation of the mission of the Narragansett Indian Tribal Historic Preservation Office.

Doug and his office work on the protection of Indigenous ceremonial stone landscape in the Northeast with three other federally-recognized Tribes: the Wampanoag of Gayhead-Aquinnah; the Mohegan; and the Western Mashantucket Pequot. All these Tribes are part of a larger group called USET (United South and Eastern Tribes) that comprises 27 federally-recognized Tribes from Maine to Texas. Doug has been doing this work for over 20 years.

Let the Landscape Speak

Indigenous Ceremonial Stone Landscape surrounds us in New England, often hidden in plain sight in the forests and fields. Most people who come across enigmatic stone structures don't know that some are remnants of a network built by Indigenous Americans for ceremonial and other purposes. Doug Harris will present an illustrated talk showing various types of Indigenous ceremonial stone features.

We Love Where We Live – And We Know You Do, Too!

President's Message

Greetings, Metacomet members and friends!

Close your eyes for a moment. Is there a special outdoor place that comes to mind? A beautiful and peaceful place and makes your life better just to think about it? Or when you are driving to work each day, is there a spot that is just simply beautiful? Do you cross a river? Pass a farm? Take in a majestic tree? Catch sight of a bald eagle?

We are fortunate to be able to do that. We are all happier when we get to see some little bit of nature every day. Why? Because we live in an area that has some balance between development – housing and services – with open space. That's why we love where we live, because we have the best of both worlds.

Metacomet Land Trust works with land owners of all kinds – private, corporate and municipal – to preserve open space that will benefit all of us for generations to come. We also partner with other organizations to achieve our goals. If you love the outdoors and where you live as much as we do, share what we do with your friends and neighbors. Ask them to join our thriving organization that focuses on conserving and preserving our open spaces. We all benefit when we love where we live!

Lisa Mosczynski, President

You may have noticed that this Annual Report this year is rather "skinny." Our activity write-ups will be in our special 30th Anniversary Issue that will be available at the Annual Meeting on Sunday, May 19, 2019, at the Nipmuc Regional High School, 90 Pleasant Street, Upton, MA. Join us then and be sure to pick up your copy!

2019 Annual Meeting Agenda

I. Meeting called to order
II. 2018 Annual Meeting Minutes Accepted
III. 2018 Annual report and financial Statement Accepted
IV. Election of Board of Directors
V. Adjourn

2018 Annual Meeting Minutes

April 8, 2018 1:30 p.m., Douglas Municipal Center Resource Room, 29 Depot Street, Douglas, MA

With a quorum present, Lisa Mosczynski called the meeting to order at 1:35 p.m. Motion to approve the 2017 Annual Meeting minutes by Tom Bik, Larry Rettman second. Approved. Motion to approve the Financial Report by Tom Bik, Larry Rettman second. Approved.

Election of Board of Directors, Terms Expiring: Kyle Pribish, Patrice Murphy, Mike Penko, Tom Bik. Motion to re-elect Kyle Pribish, Patrice Murphy, Mike Penko and Tom Bik by Tom Bik, Larry Rettman second. Approved.

A request was made for volunteers to serve on the Board of Directors. Peg Rothwell of Hopedale volunteered to serve. Motion to close nominations by Tom Bik, Larry Rettman second. Motion approved. Motion to elect Peg Rothwell to the Board of Directors by Tom Bik, Susan Speers second. Motion approved.

Motion to adjourn Annual Meeting was made by Ann Hanscom, Larry Rettman seconded. Motion approved. Meeting adjourned at 1:42 pm.

Respectfully submitted by Patrice Murphy

Metacomet Board of Directors 2019

President: Lisa Mosczynski, Douglas
Vice-President: Russell Holden, Uxbridge
Treasurer: Susan Speers, Franklin
Secretary: Patrice Murphy, Mendon

Tom Bik, Blackstone*
Nick Bik, Blackstone
Ann Hanscom, Uxbridge
Barbara McNamee, Northbridge
Mike Penko, Upton
Kyle Pribish, Norfolk
Larry Rettman, Franklin*
Michael Angelo Rodriguez, Millville
Peg Rothwell, Hopedale
Doug Williams, Norfolk
Carl Witham, Mendon

* Founding Member of MLT

How To Reach Us

The Metacomet Land Trust

The Metacomet Land Trust is a 501 (c) 3 non-profit organization dedicated to land preservation and conservation in south central Massachusetts

Call us at 508-271-7131
Website: www.MetacometLandTrust.org
Email: info@MetacometLandTrust.org
Twitter: @MetacometLandTr
Facebook:
https://www.facebook.com/MetacometLandTrust/

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Celebrating our 30th Anniversary!

Proxy Vote:

If you are not able to attend the annual meeting, you may fill out and return this portion as your proxy ballot. This will count toward the required quorum of 20 voting members or 20% of all dues paying members (whichever is larger). Your proxy instructs Lisa Mosczynski, President, or Russell Holden, Vice President, to act on your behalf.

METACOMET LAND TRUST 2019 ANNUAL MEETING MEMBER PROXY I authorize MLT Board President Lisa Mosczynski or Vice President Russell Holden to exercise my vote at the 2019 Annual Meeting for the ELECTION OF BOARD MEMBERS, APPROVAL OF 2018 MEETING MINUTES, APPROVAL OF THE 2019 ANNUAL REPORT and any MOTIONS that come before the membership.

NAME: _____

DATE: _____

Please mail your proxy to Metacomet Land Trust, PO Box 231, Franklin, MA 02038
to arrive no later than Wednesday, May 15, 2019.

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Metacomet Land Trust, Inc.
Statement of Financial Position

As of December 31, 2018

	Total	
ASSETS		
Current Assets		
Bank Accounts		
10000 Operating Checking #5493	5,006.82	
10100 Money Market Account #4609	137,789.82	
10105 CR Protection Endowment #2311	21,914.36	
10106 CR Endow CD	0.00	
10107 MLT- CD #1294	10,453.83	
10110 SNETT Special Projects #5492	1,276.12	
10115 Lake Manchaug Projects #6119	3,645.66	
10120 Upton Project Fund #6620	1,881.18	
10125 Wrentham Land Preservation	0.00	
Total Bank Accounts	**$**	**181,967.79**
Accounts Receivable		
11000 Lease Fees Receivable	585.00	
11100 Grants Receivable	0.00	
Total Accounts Receivable	**$**	**585.00**
Other Current Assets		
11000 Lease Fees Receivable-A*	0.00	
12000 Undeposited Funds	125.00	
14000 Prepaid Expenses	2,225.93	
14100 Construction in Progress	0.00	
14700 Other Current Assets	0.00	
Total Other Current Assets	**$**	**2,350.93**
Total Current Assets	**$**	**184,903.72**
Fixed Assets		
15000 Furniture and Fixtures	0.00	
15100 Equipment	9,593.72	
15900 Accumulated Depreciation	-9,562.56	
16500 Land/Affordable House Lots	341,707.00	
16900 Land Open Space	1,757,092.00	
17000 Land Held Temporarily	0.00	
Total Fixed Assets	**$**	**2,098,830.16**
TOTAL ASSETS	**$**	**2,283,733.88**
LIABILITIES AND EQUITY		
Liabilities		
Current Liabilities		
Accounts Payable		
20000 Accounts Payable	-591.00	
Contributions-Perm Restrict-AP*	0.00	
Total Accounts Payable	**-$**	**591.00**
Other Current Liabilities		
23000 Accrued Expenses	0.00	
27000 Land Held Temp Due to MA DEM	0.00	
Total Other Current Liabilities	**$**	**0.00**
Total Current Liabilities	**-$**	**591.00**
Total Liabilities	**-$**	**591.00**
Equity		
31950 Land Donation	0.00	
39005 Retained Earnings	287,719.19	
39200 Unrestricted Funds-002	104,504.37	
39210 Unrestricted Real Estate	0.00	
39230-0 Board Designated - DF	0.00	
39240 Board Designated - CR Enforce	0.00	
39300 Temporarily Restricted	23,057.22	
39400 Permanently Restricted	1,851,527.05	
Net Revenue	17,517.05	
Total Equity	**$**	**2,284,324.88**
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND EQUITY	**$**	**2,283,733.88**

Join us for an Earth Day Walk at Hop Brook in Blackstone!

April 20, 2019: 1:00 pm - 2:30 pm

Bring your family for an outdoor experience on Earth Day weekend! Long-time Heritage Corridor Volunteer In Parks guide and Metacomet Board member Tom Bik will lead an interpretive walk through the land trust property at Hop Brook in Blackstone. This is a forest parcel with wooded vernal pools and a 200-year-old sawmill site. Walking conditions are moderate and the walk will be paced for all who participate.

Metacomet has recently constructed a driveway and parking lot to make this 129-acre landscape more accessible. A sign now marks the entrance. The parking lot entrance is opposite 249 Mendon Street, in Blackstone. This event is free and open to the public.

Help us continue our conservation work for the next generation!

Have you renewed your membership for 2019? Your dues and donations help us to continue our work of land preservation, conservation, and environmental education.

To join or renew your membership in the land trust, please fill in below and mail to
Metacomet Land Trust, P.O. Box 231, Franklin, MA 02038

Friend	$ 25.00	_____
Steward	$ 50.00	_____
Naturalist	$ 100.00	_____
Forester	$ 250.00	_____
Protector	$ 500.00	_____
Other		_____

Please Volunteer! We need your help! The land trust depends on the generosity and spirit of volunteers to educate young and old about the environment around us and to help with due diligence in conducting stewardship inspections. Use this form or email us at Metacomet@gmail.com or call us at 508-271-7131 if you can help.

I would like to make an additional gift to the Metacomet Land Trust. Please apply my gift towards:

The Erik Anderberg Stewardship Fund _____ As needed _____

Metacomet Land Conservation Fund _____

NAME(S):_____

ADDRESS: _____

TELEPHONE _____ EMAIL:_____

_____Yes! I am interested in volunteering!

Check out our Website: www.MetacometLandTrust.org. You can renew online!

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