



Hopkinton Area Land Trust

2011 Annual Meeting of Members

David S. Goldman, P.E.

President

Hopkinton Area Land Trust, Inc.

September 25, 2011; 2 – 4 PM Hopkinton Fire Station Conference Room



Who We Are

- **The Hopkinton Area Land Trust is a Federal 501(c)(3), State Chapter 180, Not-for-Profit Corporation, incorporated in 1995**
- **All-volunteer organization**
- **Currently governed by a nine member, dedicated, board of directors (two original directors still serve since we were founded in 1995)**
- **Many members, friends, supporters, and donors in the Hopkinton and surrounding area**



Officers and Directors

- **Officers**

- **David S. Goldman, PE, President**
- **Edwin Brohm, Treasurer**
- **Mary C. Pratt, Secretary & Clerk**

- **Directors**

1. **David S. Goldman, PE, Chairman and Director for Land Acquisition & CRs**
2. **Edwin Brohm, Treasurer, Director for Grants and Newsletter Editor**
3. **Mary C. Pratt, Clerk**
4. **Brian Garrett, Director for Fund Raising**
5. **Jeff Furber, Director for Stewardship**
6. **Gail Clifford, Director for Scholarship**
7. **Beth Rohlfs, Director for Trails**
8. **Mavis O'Leary, Director for Community Relations**
9. **Open Position**



Who We Aren't

- **HALT is NOT the Hopkinton Open Space Commission (OSPC)**
 - **OSPC is supported by Hopkinton Tax Dollars from the Community Preservation Committee**
- **Community Preservation Committee**
 - **Overseer of the tax monies collected from Hopkinton Taxes and partially matched by the State**
- ***There is a mistaken perception that the Hopkinton Area Land Trust is a part of the Town (Hopkinton Open Space Commission) and supported by tax dollars***



What We Do

- **Acquire and protect open space in and around Hopkinton**
- **Accept the donation of land, Conservation Restrictions, money and other assets**
- **Develop trails, often working with local scouting organizations (Eagle and Gold, public service projects)**
- **Promote conservation and passive recreation**
- **Educate the public on land preservation and conservation issues**
- **Award college scholarships to conservation-minded Hopkinton students**



What We've Accomplished

- **More than 700 acres of open space owned or under conservation restriction**
- **Miles of trails that are actively used by the community**
- **Applied for six and won four grants for trail development, trail signage and trail repairs**
- **Dozens of \$250 scholarships awarded**
- **Nurtured a growing endowment**
- **Increased Trust awareness through newsletters, articles, events and a new web site**



Properties and CRs

Properties

- Wiley Woods*√
- Brook Hollow*√
- Deer Run/Brickhill*√
- Hopkinton Highlands I*√
 - Zettek Overlook*√
- Hopkinton Highlands II*√√
- Hopkinton Highlands III**
- Spring-Hill I & II*
- Old North Mill I & II*√
- Deneen-Scarlatta**
- Hill Street*
- Clinton Street* Kotob
- Wilson Street, Zettek *
- South Mill Street, Braim Farm*
- Canterbury Lane**
- Front Street, Pelouquin Estates**
- Commons/Rocky Woods Rd.***

Conservation Easements

- EMC 228 South Street*
- EMC 52 South Street*
- Terry High School Property*
Center Trail*√
- Hopkinton Meadows North St.*√.
- Whitehall Property*√
- Fruit Street Property**
- Drowne Saddle Hill RD**
- Brook Hollow DeGozzaldi**

* Property owned or Conservation Easement Granted

**Property or Conservation Easement in process

*** On-Hold

√ Denotes a Trust Trail

√ √ Denotes Trail under development



2011 Accomplishments

- Center trail opening
- Negotiated Braim Farm open space transfer (29 acres); contribution to the endowment and another 10 acres in progress
- \$17,525 DCR Grant for Center Trail repair
- Whitehall Conservation Area -trail improvements & 150 ft. Fence
- Negotiated Peloquin open space transfer and contribution to the endowment (in progress)
- Developed new HALT logo/brand images
- Designed and sent post card mailing to all town households
- Began the transition to an open member organization
 - Signed up the first 70 members
 - First open annual meeting
- Increased endowment to \$39,150
- Designed and launched a web site: www.hoplandtrust.org



2012 Goals

- Increase Membership
- Increase Endowment
- Increase Awareness
- Accomplish the repair of the Center Trail
 - Repair the Center trail erosion problem (State DCR grant)
- Add a ninth board member (open position due to a death of an original director)
- Recruit a volunteer web master
- Form committees (membership, geocaching, stewardship)
- Deploy and maintain Geocaching sites on HALT properties
 - Four are planned within the next 3 months
- Finalize paperwork and trails development on the Highlands II and Peloquin Estates properties

Center Trail Erosion (Sept, 2011)



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Hopkinton Highlands



The home of the Douglas Sands Memorial Trail. The trail is reached just behind the large boulder at the entrance to Hopkinton highlands at the intersection of Saddle Hill Road and Greenwood Drive. Parking is provided for three (3) cars on a gravel parking pad. The trail is a brisk walk over hilly terrain looking down into a deep ravine. In addition, there is an unmarked side trail to the top of the Saddle Hill ridge. Down the road at 52 Greenwood Rd. is the Zettek Overlook, affording a spectacular view to the west toward Mt. Wachusetts.

Size: 40.8 acres.

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Location	Latitude	Longitude
Parking	42°14'44.32"N	71°32'55.00"W
Start (lower)	42°14'44.71"N	71°32'54.14"W
Bench	42°14'45.71"N	71°32'50.43"W
Bench	42°14'52.10"N	71°32'42.16"W
Trail crossing	42°14'55.03"N	71°32'42.61"W
Start (upper)	42°14'56.23"N	71°32'45.25"W

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Back-up



Financial Condition of the Trust

- Financial Position

– 223435633	Business Blue Checking	<u>\$ 914.43</u>
– 50030523	Business Money Fund	<u>\$9,091.40</u>

- Endowment Funding

– 85198214	C..D. #1	<u>\$13,434.33</u>
– 85200697	C. D. #2	<u>\$12,744.69</u>
– 161218857	C. D. #3	<u>\$12,971.54</u>

Endowment	\$39,150.56
Total	\$48,336.39