



**LAND CONSERVANCY TRUST**  
**SPECIAL MEETING NOTICE & AGENDA**  
Monday, May 18, 2020 at 3:00 PM  
To be held remotely via Zoom  
25 Fifth Avenue  
Narragansett, RI 02882

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**LAND  
CONSERVANCY  
TRUST**

**Chair**

Thomas Rogers

**Vice Chair**

Terence Fleming

**Secretary**

Jason Colonies

**Members**

Jerry Brunetto

Susan Bush

Pati Sylvia

Brian Wagner

**Town Council Members**

Jesse Pugh

Jill Lawler

**Town Staff Liaisons**

**Kinney Bungalow**

**Event Coordinator**

Daisy MacLeod

**Community Development**

Mike DeLuca

Jill Sabo

**NOTE: THIS MEETING IS NOT OPEN FOR ONSITE ATTENDANCE.**

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Time: May 18, 2020 03:00 PM Eastern Time (US and Canada)  
Join Zoom Meeting

Present:

- Thomas Rogers
- Terence Fleming
- Jason Colonies,
- Susan Bush
- Pati Sylvia
- Brian Wagner
- Jerry Brunetto

Not Present:

- Jesse Pugh
- Jill Lawler

Also in Attendance:

Jill Sabo

Mike DeLuca

James Tierney

Christine Spagnoli

**1R. Town Charter Division 3, Section 2-106, Budget:** Discussion and possible action regarding the Town Council charter which states that “*the Town Council shall annually budget a minimum of \$50,000 to be deposited into a fund to be set up as a revolving account by the town treasurer...*”. (Attachment A)

A discussion led by James Tierney and Christine Spagnoli was had about

requesting that the Land Conservancy Trust consider the elimination or significant reduction in the funding of \$50,000 for FY 2020-2021 that is per the Town Charter, Section 2-106. Throughout the discussion it was confirmed by James Tierney that this would only be requested for FY 2020-2021 and was requested in expectations of holes in the FY 2020-2021 caused by the Covid-19 pandemic.

Jason Colonies moves and Brian Wagner seconds to and it was voted unanimously to eliminate the funding of \$50,000 for FY 2020-2021 that is per the Town Charter, Section 2- 106

Roll Call:

Jason Colonies: Aye  
Brian Wagner: Aye  
Thomas Rogers: Aye  
Terence Fleming: Aye  
Susan Bush: Aye  
Pati Sylvia: Aye  
Jerry Brunetto: Aye

Jason Colonies moves and Brian Wagner seconds to and it was voted unanimously to adjourn at 4:35PM

Roll Call:

Jason Colonies: Aye  
Brian Wagner: Aye  
Thomas Rogers: Aye  
Terence Fleming: Aye  
Susan Bush: Aye  
Pati Sylvia: Aye  
Jerry Brunetto: Aye

Respectfully Submitted:



Jason Colonies, Secretary

ATTACHMENT A



**TOWN OF NARRAGANSETT**

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**JAMES R. TIERNEY**  
Town Manager  
Commissioner of Public Safety

May 14, 2020

Thomas Rogers, Chair  
Land Conservancy Trust  
68 Earles Court  
Narragansett, RI 02882

Dear Mr. Rogers:

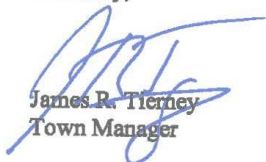
There is considerable fiscal uncertainty facing the Town of Narragansett due to the “unknowns” in FY 2020/2021. The State of Rhode Island has not advised Cities/Towns and school districts what state aid will be appropriated and we will not know the amount of the appropriations until after the Town and School Budgets are adopted. Additionally, the COVID-19 pandemic costs and anticipated loss of revenue are among our concerns in the upcoming fiscal year.

I am requesting that the Land Conservancy Trust consider the elimination or significant reduction in the funding of \$50,000 for FY 2020-2021 that is per the Town Charter, Section 2-106.

The Land Conservancy Trust has a fund balance of approximately \$ 320,000.00 and spent \$ 3000.00 in FY 2018/2019 and no expenses in FY 2019/2020.

The Town would appreciate your consideration and would be extremely grateful. As always, if you would like to speak further or have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,



James R. Tierney  
Town Manager