SCHOHARIE LAND TRUST MEETING - Minutes 9/19/91 Present: Catherine Harwood Ken Hotopp Eugene McCaffrey Mary Jo O'Donnell Dan Schuppel Robert Smith Karl Westphal Excused: Elliott Adams Sandra Scouten-Ford John Townsend Members: John Mauhs, John L. White Guest: Craig Mausler Meeting convened at 7:32 by President Ken Hotopp Report on Henry Tepper meeting by Karl Westphal: - H. Tepper and Columbia Land Conservancy were viewed as city people, a 30 member organization. - easements on 500 to 1000 acres should be acquired first. - don't worry about publicity. - notes to the meeting are being prepared by E. Adams to be sent out - make a policy of not purchasing easements, but rather have them donated with endowment for maintenance. - question was raised as to whether or not to follow up on acquiring the easements of H. Tepper's parent's property in Burtonsville. It was stated that H. Tepper would help in this process. - Karl W. will write a thank you letter. Iroquois Pipeline Proposal: - Gene passed out copies of the revised proposal which highlights three changes. - discussion followed. - MOTION by Catherine H. to authorize Gene McCaffrey to send in revised proposal to the proper channel with copies to Supervisors of the respective towns. - SECONDED by Mary Jo. - CARRIED. IRS 501 C 3 Application:

- John Mauhs reported that the application was sent in 8/27/91- to date no confirmation of receipt received by Trust.

- expressions of appreciation for all John Mauhs work. Pickett Property Update:

- Ken H. report: in communication with Nan Stolzenberg it turns out that there are actually two farms involved, the second of which is not clearly defined at this time.
- Karl W. report: in communication with Linda Gaydushek on sensitivity of securing an endowment to go along with proposal.
- Bob S. report: in communication with Chris Braley of American Farmland Trust, AFT would be willing to help with proposal by using their legal department and their experience in dealing with such proposals in the past, with the possibility of starting a "Community Agriculture Project".
- MOTION: by Bob S. to authorize Ken H. to write an official proposal to be submitted to Helen Pickett and to choose a delegation to work with him. - SECONDED by John L. White.
 CARRIED.

Indemnification:

- Dan S. report: applications for liability issued for officers and directors, and bonding were submitted 9/6/91; he also distributed model wording of indemnification provisions which could be useful to amend SLT's by-laws.
- MOTION: by Dan S. to send to all members a copy of the proposed Article with Octobers meeting notice, noting the intent to vote on this Article in Novembers meeting.
- SECONDED by Bob S.
- CARRIED.
- 1992 SLT Annual Meeting:
 - May meeting of 1992 will officially be the SLT's

Annual Meeting.

- Intended to be a subdued event.
- Officers Reports:
 - President: Adirondack Mountain Club

offers grants up to \$200.00 for specific projects. - contact Linda Kolter. - Vice President: - Columbia Land Conservancy was sponsoring an Art Sale to benefit their organization. - plans to attend the E. F. Schumacher Society conference, at which the principal speaker will be Thomas Berry (author of " The Dream of the Earth"). - Treasurer: - financial condition of the SLT unchanged from 8/91. - the Town Board of Gilboa made a resolution to say "NO" to the Acres Proposal. Other Business: - Dan S. reported the desire of William Townsend to seek information on the purchase of development rights to his Green Bush Road property, in turn he would donate his property (58 acres) to SLT upon death. - This information will be conveyed to Elliott A. to explore during New Hampshire trip. MOTION to adjourn by Bob S. SECONDED by Gene M. CARRIED at 9:40 p.m. NEXT MEETING: OCTOBER 17, 1991 7:30 SHARP

> Dan Schuppel Board Member