## Pennypack Ecological Restoration Trust Minutes of the Fifty-First Annual Meeting of the Membership December 7th, 2021

The Fiftieth-First Annual Meeting of the membership of the Pennypack Ecological Restoration Trust was held via Zoom. Twenty-Four members, six board members, and four staff members attended the meeting.

*Welcome*. Board Chairman Gilbert High called the meeting to order at 7:05 p.m. He began by welcoming all those participating. As there were more than 20 members in attendance, a quorum was declared. Mr. High paid tribute to Feodor Pitcairn, founder and supporter of the Trust who past away this year.

Secretary Report. Mr. Rowland presented the minutes of the Fiftieth Annual Meeting, which upon motion duly made and seconded, were approved as presented.

*Treasurer Report*. Mr. Rutherford presented the financial report for the fiscal year ending 6-30-2021. Mr. Rutherford also reviewed the sources of income and thanked the members for their generous support.

Nominating Committee Report. Mr. Rowland reported that the Nominating Committee had put together a slate of candidates to stand for election for a three-year term. The proposed Class of 2023 is comprised of Leigh Altadonna, Kim Seese, Kyle Genzlinger, Alexis Isztwan, Greg Odhner, and David Oyler. On motion duly made, seconded and approved, the slate of candidates was elected.

*Program.* Chris Mendel then gave a thorough report on the events the Trust has been involved with this past year. Mr. Mendel discussed the organization's need for improvements due to significant growth in membership, partnerships, programs, and volunteers. He defined the Watershed Moment 2021 Capital Campaign and its projects including a central pedestrian head of trails, flexible laboratory and lectures spaces, carbon-neutral energy systems, and improved signage and wayfinding.

Questions and Comments. There were several questions that were addressed following the program. Following, Mr. High again thanked the staff and board and Trust members for making the past year such a success and for the bright hopes that we all share for a thriving future.

Adjournment. There being no further business, Mr. High adjourned the meeting at 8:30 p.m.

Attest:

David B. Rowland Secretary