



Lebanon Conservation and Agriculture Commission  
Regular Meeting, 10/7/19  
Lebanon Town Hall, 579 Exeter Road  
Regular Meeting Minutes

Members present: Marc Lang (Chair), Emery Gluck, Ethan Stearns, Jon Slate, Keith LaPorte, Michael Wolf (Student Representative)  
Absent: Jan Fitter (Secretary), Alton Blodgett, Andrew Holley (Alt.), Chris Condit (Alt.), Paul Trubey (Alt.)  
Also present: Town Planner Philip Chester, Marc Wolf, Dennis Goderre

Marc Lang called the meeting to order at 4:34 p.m.

**Motion by Keith LaPorte, seconded by Jon Slate, to approve the June 3, 2019 meeting minutes. Motion approved 4-0-1 with Jon Slate abstaining.**

The Commission recognized Marc Wolf who recently preserved the 134-acre (REW) farm on Trumbull Hwy.

Mr. Chester notified the Commission on the Department of Agriculture's request that the town assist with conducting property appraisals and surveys for the Matt Williams (Mack Road), revised Geer Family (York Road), and Diana Dearborn (Exeter/Briggs Roads) farmland preservation projects. **Motion by Ethan Stearns, seconded by Jon Slate, to recommend the expenditure of open space funds for appraisals and surveys for these projects. Motion unanimously approved.**

Marc Lang updated the Commission on the status of the 1,000-acre Wells Woods project.

**Motion by Keith LaPorte, seconded by Jon Slate, to request the Public Works Department to place "Scenic Road" signs at both entrances to North Street to match the Smith Road scenic road signs.**

Mr. Chester notified the Commission that he and Jan Fitter would be meeting with the new owners of the 89-acre former Anderson property on Randall Road to discuss the property easements and public access to the Five-Mile-Rock Trail; of an upcoming meeting with CT RC&D and members of the POCD Open Space Subcommittee on an agricultural center concept; of a proposed SCCOG study for potential reuse or diversification of dairy land; on work drafting the fall Commission newsletter; and a proposed 2019/20 Farm Viability Grant application to fund farmers market advertising, appraisals/surveys, and 2020 Commission newsletter.

**Motion by Ethan Stearns, seconded by Keith LaPorte, to approve the 2020 Commission regular meeting schedule. Motion unanimously approved.**

Resident Dennis Goderre stated he was interested in being a member of the Commission. **Motion by Marc Lang, seconded by Keith LaPorte, to recommend the appointment of Dennis Goderre as an alternate Commission member in place of Chris Condit's seat. Motion unanimously approved.**

The Commission adjourned at 5:47 p.m. The next regular Commission meeting is scheduled for Nov. 4, 2019.

Respectfully submitted,  
Philip Chester, AICP  
October 8, 2019