

## Town of Lebanon PLANNING AND ZONING COMMISSION POCD Open Space Subcommittee Special Meeting Minutes

October 21, 2019, 12:30 p.m. Town Hall Upstairs Conference Room 579 Exeter Road

Members Present: Wayne Budney, Robin Chesmer, Thomas Meyer

Members Absent: Jan Fitter, Keith LaPorte

Also Present: Philip S. Chester, AICP (Town Planner), Marc Wolf (ConsAg Commission)

The Subcommittee met with representatives from CT Resource Conservation & Development Area, Inc. (CT RC&D) Executive Director Jeanne Davies, Agricultural Programs Director Amanda Fargo-Johnson, Board President John Guszkowski, Vice President Judy Rondeau, and Secretary Margo Burns.

Discussion ensued around CT RC&D applying for a Farm Viability Grant from the Department of Agriculture to determine the feasibility of establishing an agricultural and conservation center with incubator space and affordable housing in Lebanon. Determining who would be utilized for the study, availability of appropriate land, and grant matching funds was discussed.

The Subcommittee recommended that the proposal go before the Planning and Zoning Commission and the Conservation and Agriculture Commission at their next meetings. The grant application is due November 12, 2019.

The Subcommittee adjourned at 2:15 p.m.

Respectfully submitted Philip S. Chester, AICP

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