



Lebanon Conservation and Agriculture Commission
Regular Meeting Minutes
February 7, 2022
Lebanon Town Hall

Members present: Marc Lang (Chair), Jan Fitter (Vice Chair), Ethan Stearns, Alton Blodgett, Emery Gluck, Keith LaPorte, Marc Wolf (Alternate), Mia Colasuonno (Alternate), Michael Wolf (Student Rep.)
Absent: John Slate, John Drum (Alternate)
Also present: Philip Chester (Town Planner), Kevin Cwikla (First Selectman)

- I. Marc Lang called the meeting to order at 4:30 p.m. and appointed Mia Colasuonno a voting member.
- II. Public Comment.
 - Members of the Boy Scout Troop 58 along with leader Richard Barnes discussed the possibility of collaborating with the Commission on Earth Day trash pick up along town road/properties. The Commission and Troop 58 decided on April 2-3 (rain date April 9-10) as the weekend to coordinate activities and possible set up sites and how to advertise the event.
 - Heather Brunelle, West Town St., presented a list of activities and organizations that could participate in a "Lebanon Sustainability Fair".
- III. Meeting Minutes.
 - a. **Motion made by Alton Blodgett, seconded by Mia Colasuonno, to approve the January 3, 2022 meeting minutes. Motion unanimously approved.**
- IV. New Business.
 - a. Project Updates
 - March 7th Special Town Meeting in the High School auditorium at 7:00 p.m. to allocate \$100,000 from the Open Space Account for soft costs.
 - March 17th Board of Finance meeting at 7:00 p.m. to discuss the Commission's request that \$63,823.56 to be allocated to the FY 2022-23 budget for the Open Space Account.
 - Farmland preservation updates (Himmelstein, Stearns, Andrews).
 - 2022 Farmers Market update.
 - Town work with CT RC&D on the affordable farm housing initiative and the Airline Trail State Park master plan.
 - Town working on getting CT-DOT Scenic Highway status for Route 207.
 - b. It was agreed that \$122.71 could be spent on earth day trash bags from its budget.
- V. Old Business. It was agreed that the *Plan of Conservation and Development* would be reviewed at next Commission meeting (anticipated in April due to March 7th Town Meeting).
- VI. The Commission adjourned at 5:20 p.m.

Philip S. Chester, AICP
Town Planner
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