

Lebanon Conservation and Agriculture Commission Regular Meeting Minutes October 3, 2022 Lebanon Town Hall

Members present: Marc Lang (Chair), Alton Blodgett, Emery Gluck, Keith LaPorte, Ethan

Stearns, Mia Colasuonno (Alternate), Jim Jahoda (Alternate)

Absent: Jan Fitter, Jon Slate, Marc Wolf (Alternate), Michael Wolf (Student Rep.)

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 and Jim Jahoda voting members.

II. Public Comment. None.

III. Minutes.

- a. Motion by Alton Blodgett, seconded by Keith LaPorte, to approve the September 12, 2022 meeting minutes. Motion unanimously approved.
- IV. Discussion with Public Works Director and Tree Warden Dean Hunniford. The Commission requested that:
 - New signs be placed on the entrances to scenic roads. Mr. Hunniford said he would provide a template for the Commission to review prior to sign placement.
 - Town-owned trees to be removed be marked 10 days prior to removal per state statue and the Plan of Conservation and Development. Mr. Hunniford noted that several ash trees were slated for removal on Randall Road in the vicinity of Gillette Brook bridge due to presence of emerald ash borer.
 - Town-owned Beaumont House birthplace on Village Hill Road be cleared of invasives and stonewalls be exposed.
 - The Planning and Zoning Commission be consulted prior to removal of mature trees on scenic roads per town Scenic Road Ordinance Sec. 4(a).

V. Other

- a. The Planning and Zoning Commission will hold a public hearing on October 17, 2022 at 7:00 p.m. in Town Hall to hear petition for naming Randall and Sisson Roads "Scenic Roads" per the town Scenic Road Ordinance.
- b. Mr. Lang suggested that Jim Smith be invited to the next Commission meeting to discuss the planned aerobic digester at Cushman Farm.
- c. Mr. LaPorte suggested that the Commission review the recommendations contained in the Plan of Conservation and Development at a future meeting.
- d. Mr. Chester updated the Commission on the Andrews, Stearns, and other farmland preservation projects, and the proposed content of the annual Commission newsletter.
- VI. The Commission adjourned at 5:43 p.m.

Submitted by, Philip S. Chester, AICP Town Planner