## Lebanon Conservation and Agriculture Commission Regular Meeting, 8/7/17

## **Meeting Minutes**

Members present: Keith LaPorte (Acting Chair), Alton Blodgett, Emery Gluck, Jon Slate,

Ethan Stearns, Paul Trubey, Howard Wayland, Toni Willard

Members absent: Marc Lang, Jan Fitter, Bradley Wieczorek (Lyman High Rep.)

Also present: Town Planner Philip Chester

Meeting called to order at 4:30 p.m. by Keith LaPorte.

Motion by Howard Wayland, seconded by Jon Slate to approve the 6/7/17 meeting minutes. Approved 6-0-1 with Alton Blodgett abstaining.

The Commission reviewed the application of Amy and Lincoln Chesmer to preserve their 39-acre horse farm at 724 Exeter Road. Using their Farmland Preservation Rating System and mapping the Commission rated this farm 17 out of 27 points.

Motion made by Jon Slate, seconded by Alton Blodgett, to recommend to the Board of Selectmen that appraisals be conducted for preservation purposes for 724 Exeter Road. Motion unanimously approved.

Mr. Chester updated the Commission on the Geer, Flegert, Bender, McCall and Leone preservation projects.

The Commission discussed preserving the Kaye properties on Levita and Old Meeting House Roads.

The Commission will have a public viewing of the documentary Harvesting Stones, which is about Jewish farmers in Lebanon/eastern Connecticut.

The Commission adjourned at 5:18 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by, Philip Chester, Town Planner, August 8, 2017