

Lebanon Conservation and Agriculture Commission  
Regular Meeting, 1/9/17

**Minutes**

Call to order at 4:30 p.m. by Jan Fitter.

Members present: Jan Fitter, Emery Gluck, Jon Slate, Keith LaPorte, Alton Blodgett,  
Howard Wayland, Toni Willard, Bradley Wieczorek (Lyman Rep.)

Members absent: Marc Lang, Oliver Manning

Also present: Town Planner Philip Chester

Motion by Keith LaPorte, seconded by Howard Wayland, to approve the 12/5/16 meeting minutes. Approved unanimously.

The Sellick and Postemski farms were preserved in December.

USDA farmland preservation applications will be submitted this month for Scott and Catherine McCall and Ron and Charles Bender. Farmland preservation appraisals will be completed this month for the Geer and Stearns family farms.

Mr. Chester noted on letters that were sent to large farm property owners to determine their interest in preservation. It was suggested that letters also be sent to Steve Wengloski and Fred Krause, and the Nature Conservancy noting John Hancock Callender's and Mary Carnwart's intent on having their land on Tobacco Street remain in natural/undeveloped state.

Monitoring for the Champagne, Gluck and Fischer property still to be conducted. The Commission will add the Jonathan Green (Tobacco Street) subdivision conservation easements to their monitoring list.

The Commission, along with Bozrah's and Franklin's Ag. Commissions, will be hosting a session on managing risk related to agritourism on Feb. 15<sup>th</sup> (rain date Feb. 16<sup>th</sup>) at the Franklin Community Room. Mr. Chester will distribute session flyers once prepared.

Mr. Chester will be reviewing the documentary "Forgotten Farm" to see if it would be worthwhile to show in town.

The Commission adjourned at 5:22 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,  
Philip Chester, Town Planner  
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