Lebanon Conservation and Agriculture Commission Special Meeting, 8/8/16

Minutes

Call to order at 4:30 p.m. by Marc Lang.

Members present: Marc Lang, Keith LaPorte, Alton Blodgett, Howard Wayland, Oliver Manning, Emery Gluck, John Slate, Bradley Wieczorek (Lyman High Representative)

Members absent: Jan Fitter, Toni Willard, Paul Trubey

Also present: Town Planner Philip Chester Oliver Manning appointed acting alternate

Motion by Alton Blodgett to approve the 7/11/16 meeting minutes, which was seconded by Keith LaPorte and approved unanimously.

Property A-7/11/16 appraisal shows a conservation easement value of \$250,000. Motion by Alton Blodgett to apply to USDA-NRCS for \$100,000 in farmland preservation funds, recommend allocation of \$25,000 from the Town's Open Space Account and request CFT partnership of \$25,000 to purchase the conservation easement for \$150,000. This would require the owner donation of \$100,000 in easement value. Seconded by Jon Slate and passed unanimously.

Property B-7/11/16 appraisal shows a conservation easement value of \$110,000. Motion by Jon Slate to apply to USDA-NRCS for \$55,000 in farmland preservation funds and recommend the allocation of \$50,000 from the Town's Open Space Account to purchase a conservation easement for \$105,000. This would require the owner donation of \$5,000 in easement value and placement of an additional easement on the remaining property. Seconded by Alton Blodgett and passed unanimously.

The Commission adjourned at 5:42 p.m.

Respectfully submitted, Philip Chester 8/9/16