Lebanon Conservation Commission Regular Meeting, 5/9/11 **Minutes**

Call to order, 4:32 p.m.

Members present: Emery Gluck, Alton Blodgett, Keith Laporte, Jan Fitter, Howard Wayland, David Scata Members absent: Marc Lang, Jon Slate, Toni Willard Also present: Town Planner Phil Chester

Motion (AB) to approve minutes of 4/4/11 regular meeting; seconded (DS) and passed unanimously. No audience present.

Applause for Phil's award and recognition.

Town Planner's report:

Phil provided updates on properties interested in preservation. Three properties were rated: 11-C, 11 points; 11-B, 20 points; 11-D, 22 points. Properties 11-A and possibly 11-1will be rated at the June meeting as progress warrants.

In the end, this year's allocation to the Open Space Fund was \$20,000. Balance will be negative with current commitments. The B of F says it will form a committee this summer to study procedures for capital reserve. Consensus that the Conservation Commission should have a voice in this process to represent open space benefits and concerns.

Pride's Corner Farms is applying for an after-the-fact permit from the Town IWC. Status of Corps/DEP-ordered mitigation is unknown. The Town and JT have declined to hold the offered easements.

Neighbor of subdivision donation conservation easement on Gates Farm Road complained of equipment in the easement. Phil and Jan went to look and could discern little if any significant change.

Commons Hill will be a Walktober walk. Each walk is assigned a number. Mark and Keith will organize, but volunteers from the commission will be needed on the day – Oct. 8(?).

Alton and Jan talked with some of the 11-1 family. This daughter does not want to see the land go for development. We will ask permission to research whether options for partnering are available. Phil will set up an informational meeting with John Pagini.

Old/new business: none.

Motion to adjourn at 5:40 p.m., seconded and passed unanimously.

Respectfully submitted, Jan Fitter, Sec'y