## Burlington Conservation Commission Meeting Minutes Wednesday, September 18, 2019 – Burlington Town Hall

- 1. Call to Order: Chairman John Hebert at 7:00 pm. Present: Melanie Wilhelm, Mitchel Kvedar, Tom Finan, Tom Roberge, Richard Miller, and John Hebert. Absent: Jackie Shadford.
- 2. Review/Accept Minutes: Motion made (Miller), seconded (Finan) and passed unanimously to accept Meeting minutes of June 19, 2019.
- 3. Citizens Comments: None
- 4. Communications: None
- 5. Old Business:
  - a. Municipal Tax Reduction for Farms: Roberge spoke out at a Farm Forum being held by BOS on Tax Reduction Programs. He reported there is an interest in pursuing this initiative on their behalf. Melanie will draft a letter to BOS, BOF, and Land Trust to spark further interest on acceptance of this program.
  - b. Johnnycake Mountain Recreation Facility: No changes.
  - c. POCD: CC is one arm of many local and regional groups assigned to preserve and protect natural Resources. Specific Tasks assigned CC in the draft POCD around Conservation and Development Policies are being reviewed to determine importance and best strategy. Also, tentative proposal to be reviewed at time of our next meeting to raise funds for open space.
  - d. MDC Clearbrook Acquisition: No new information.
  - e. City of Bristol DEEP Grant Acquisition 35.6 acres Barnes Nature Center: Slow progress reported.
  - f. Sustainability: May need to categorize differently.
- 6. New Business: None
- 7. Other: None
- 8. Adjourn: Motion made (Wilhelm), seconded (Roberge) and passed unanimously to adjourn at 8:06 pm.

Next Meeting: Wednesday, October 16, 2019. Respectfully submitted, John Hebert, Chairman