

## Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Burlington Conservation Commission April 20<sup>th</sup>, 2016

Meeting called to order at 7:00 pm by John Hebert, chairman. In attendance were Jackie Shadford, Paul Rochford & Kenneth Gordon.

- 1. Review and accept minutes from March meeting.
- 2. **New Business**: Can we plan for required open space set-asides before a development is proposed?
- 3. **Taine Mountain Update**: The money is in, the closing will be soon. The Town purchase of 150-acres is happening. There are no remaining impediments.
- 4. **Conservation Policy for Open Space Acquisitions**: We will be guided by the Town Plan of Conservation & Development.
- 5. **Right to Farm Ordinance**: The CC is on record as being in favor.
- 6. **Agricultural Commission**: We recommend that the CC have a dedicated member with a background.
- 7. **Funding for Conservation:** While there are still money and programs out there, the current state of Connecticut's fiscal house will make acquiring State funds very challenging doe the foreseeable future.
- 8. Adjourn

Paul Rochford Secretary