



Town of Burlington

Draft Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Burlington Conservation Commission November 18th, 2015

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

1. Review and accept minutes from October 2015 meeting.
2. **Covey Road Acquisition:** Still waiting.
3. **Taine Mountain 2 Update:** The State grant came through. The Burlington Land Trust and the Trust for Public Land are working with the Town's grant coordinator. The Conservation Commission voted to support the BLT's request to hold an additional conservation easement on the property that will mirror the State's.
4. **Right to Farm Ordinance:** Jon & John made a presentation to the BOC on November 10th in support of a local right to farm ordinance based on language from The American Farm Trust.
5. **Agricultural Commission:** At this time it would suffice to have an agricultural representative on the CC and perhaps rename this advisory committee to The Conservation & Agricultural Committee.
6. **Preservation of the Whigville Grange:** The grange hall is in bad shape. It's a big job and there may be little interest.
7. **Conservation Funding:** The CC will present a follow up letter asking that a minimum of 15K be put in the Town's open space fund.
8. **Farm Land Legacy:** We'd like to come up with a template for farmers to preserve their land. Also Dwight Harris is looking to put a board of trustees together to eventually take over his farm. The Town is doing legal due diligence on the subject.
9. **Adjourn....**

Paul Rochford
Secretary.