

Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Burlington Conservation Commission October 19th, 2016

Meeting called to order at 7:00 pm by John Hebert, chairman. In attendance were Tom Finan, Paul Rochford, Tom Roberge, Jackie Shadford, Richard Miller & Gary Millinger.

Review and accept Minutes from last meeting.

Citizen Comments: Ted Shafer shared that Burlington would be featured in a four minute video on sustainability produced by the Connecticut Conference of Municipalities.

Whigville Preservation Group Efforts: The WPG is now a committee of the Burlington Land Trust and is covered by their 501 3 c status. They will focus on preserving open space and agricultural land in that part of town. They are also looking to renovate and save the Grange Hall.

Covey Road: No progress, keep on future agendas.

Right to Farm Status. According to Ted Shafer, it is before the Ordinance Committee, next step would be Board of Selectmen.

Property Tax Credits for Preservation. Can a municipality give property tax breaks, outside of the PA 490 legislation to property owners willing to legally surrender development rights on their land?