

Conservation Commission of the Town of Litchfield

Land Use Office, 80 Doyle Road, PO Box 12, Bantam, CT 06750

Regular Members

Mark Austin, Chair
John Baker
Charles Dyson
Cleve Fuessenich, Vice Chair
Jessica Lunan
Jordan Richards
John Cox
Alternates

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**Draft Minutes**  
**REGULAR MEETING**

**23 June 2015**

7 PM, Bantam Town Hall Annex, Bantam, CT  
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Call to order, roll call, changes to agenda.....7:04

Members in attendance: Austin, Baker, Cox, Dyson, Fuessenich(7:30), Lunan, Richards

Members absent:

Public in attendance: Karen Huber,

1. Appointment of Alternates: n/a
2. Approval of Minutes – April 28, 2015. Motion to approve as amended by Baker seconded by Lunan. 5 approval, 1 abstention.
3. Public Comment: none
4. Open Space Acquisition Project

The draft definition of open space from last month needs to be inserted into the Acquisition document. Discussed how the Commission should write the document as a guidance document or a regulation? Keep formal definitions in an appendix and regularly reference. Reference standard regulations in another appendix.

The document will be draft assembled and sent to the group for the July meeting. Renumber to start discussion around 100 points maximum.

Cox and Fuessenich spoke to the CT DEEP on other business. The State requires properties to be surveyed and a “yellow book” appraisal. The properties would also require that there is no further development on the property. There was also a newspaper article about the State and Federal governments putting up minimal (0 to 10%) of the cost to acquire open space.

5. Natural and Community Resource Inventory Project – no new information.
6. Old Business – none
7. New Members – no attendees
8. New Business – none
9. Correspondence
 - CT Land Conservation Council
 - Resignation letter – Jessica Lunan
10. Review of Action Items
 - Continuation of sections for acquisition project.

11. Adjournment7:50

Next regularly scheduled meeting: July 28, 2015

The Purpose of the Conservation Commission is to develop and conserve natural resources, to conduct research into the current utilization and future possible utilization of land areas of the town, and to keep an index of all open areas, for the purpose of obtaining information on the proper use of such areas.