

Conservation Commission of the Town of Litchfield

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

Regular Members	
Mark Austin, Chair	'15
John Baker	'15
Charles Dyson	'15
Cleve Fuessenich, Vice Chair	'14
Jessica Lunan	'13
Jordan Richards	'16
Alternates	

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## Draft Minutes

### REGULAR MEETING

### 26 November 2013

7 PM, Bantam Town Hall Annex, Bantam, CT

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Call to order, roll call, changes to agenda.....7:00

Members in attendance: Austin, Baker, Dyson, Fuessenich, Lunan, Richards

Members absent: n/a

Public in attendance: none

1. Appointment of Alternates: n/a
2. Approval of Minutes – October 22, 2013; Motion to approve Baker, seconded by Dyson, unanimous approval.
3. Public Comment: none
4. CT DEEP Open Space Grant www.ct.gov/deep/openspace

The CT DEEP has presented the grant opportunity. Discussed how Audubon used these funds before. The Commission discussed funding and opportunities for a generic site. The Lucas Property (the proposed cancer treatment center) was used as a generic discussion property.

5. P&Z Draft Regulations
6. Open Space Acquisition Project

The Commission discussed approaching the Board of Finance about funding the open space acquisition fund when the Capital Improvement budget becomes available. Audubon spend around \$2000 for 30 acres per appraisal about 2008.

Motion to submit the CIP request using the same request as the 2012/2013 fiscal year request by Lunan. Seconded by Baker. unanimous approval.

7. Natural and Community Resource Inventory Project
Fuessenich has been working on the economic resources. Fuessenich discussed a preliminary list. The list will be emailed to the group.
8. Old Business – none
9. New Members – discussed the need for new members.
10. Correspondence:
 - Fall 2013 CAWIC newsletter
 - Connecticut Land Conservation Council – request for the Commission to join

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- 11. Review of Action Items
 - Continuation of sections for acquisition project.
 - The chair will put forward a CIP request when the program becomes available.
- 12. Adjournment8:22

Next regularly scheduled meeting: November 26, 2013

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