Town of Knox Conservation Advisory Council Meeting Date: May 18th, 2017

Present: Nathan Giordano Peter Shunney Kevin Sherman

Also: Betty Ketcham Amy Pokorny

Meeting opened at 7:35PM.

Betty shared some of the maps that she has created for Knox. All are recent and up to date. Her catalog includes;

-Land Use/Land Coverage -Bedrock and Fault Lines -Parks and Preserved Lands -Zoning and School District -Wetlands 2017 (State/Fed) -Streams, Watersheds, Flood Plains -Prime Farmland, Ag districts

Some suggested additional maps were discussed, including Elevations & Slope, and Endangered Species.

The CAC discussed compiling documented sightings of Wood Turtles, Bald Eagles, Peregrine Falcon, etc. NY Natural Heritage may track them already. Also discussed was the identification of ecologically fragile areas, and that the Helderberg Escarpment Planning Guide might be a good resource. The CAC also discussed identifying areas of karst terrain and limestone pavement, as well as slopes greater than 15 degrees.

Meeting adjourned at 8:34 PM. The next CAC meeting will be June 15th, 2017.