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*Barbara Kelly, Treasurer*  
*Margot Burns, Secretary*

**Meeting Minutes**  
**Tuesday 3/26/19, 1:00 – 1:30**  
**Conference Call**

**Board Members in Attendance:** John Guszkowski, Jim Sipperly, Margot Burns, Justin LaFountain, Judy Rondeau, Rosa Brown, Jim Costello (call), Lynne Pike DiSanto, Rick Huntley

**Board Members not in Attendance:** Mark Goetz, Aaron Budris, Matt Fulda, Mark Nielsen, Jim Larkin, Rebecca Andreucci, Lois Bruinooge, Joanna Shapiro,

**Other:** Jeanne Davies, Amanda Fargo-Johnson

John Guszkowski called the meeting to order at 1:02pm and noted that there was a quorum.

**Secretary's Report:**

Approval of 2/26/19 meeting minutes tabled until next meeting.

**RDBG Grant Application – Resolution: Access to Agriculture: Putting Local Healthy Food on the Map with CT Rural Transit**

**Motion:** To authorize Jeanne to submit an RDBG grant application in the amount of \$52,817.00 and for Margot to sign the resolution to submit the application for *Access to Agriculture: Putting Local Healthy Food on the Map with CT Rural Transit*.

**Motion made by:** Judy Rondeau

**Seconded by:** Rosa Brown

**Voted:** Motion approved unanimously.

**ERT Request – CT River Aquatic Invasive Species Project:**

**Motion:** To accept ERT Request pending formal application for an ERT from the 12 CT River towns of the RiverCOG for a review that would examine the continuing recreational use, open space and natural resource management, access points and adjacent land use as they are or could be impacted by aquatic invasive plants on the lower portion of the CT River, its tributaries and coves.

**Motion made by:** Jim Sipperly

**Seconded by:** Lynn Pike DiSanto

**Voted:** Motion approved with Margot Burns abstaining.

**Executive Director Report:**

Tour de Farms will be held Sept 21st in Woodstock, possible start at Roseland Farm.

**Agriculture Programs Report:**

- Held a free Farm Energy workshop at Bishops Orchards in Guilford on March 11th.
- 6 REAP Grant applicants.
- Growing Nontraditional Food Crops Workshop to be held 3/28/19 at Lyman Memorial High School Auditorium, Lebanon.
- Bryan Hurlburt – New Dept. of Agriculture Commissioner

Respectfully submitted,  
Margot Burns, Secretary