The Westford Conservation Trust Chosen as the First Beneficiary of Coghlin Companies' New 5C Charitable Donation Program

WORCESTER, MA, January 2017—The Westford Conservation Trust has been selected as the first beneficiary of the new Coghlin Companies Caring Corporate Citizen ("5C") Program. The program was implemented in July of 2016 and is intended as a way to continue to strengthen Coghlin's mission of community service and philanthropy.

"We're proud to include philanthropy and the building of the surrounding community as part of our core values," said Coghlin Companies President and CEO, Chris Coghlin. "Enriching the lives of our employees is a fundamental part of who we are as a company, and this program gives us the opportunity to help our Caring Associates support causes they believe in."

The new 5C program encourages Coghlin employees to nominate 501C3 charitable organizations that they support or have volunteered/donated to in the past. One winner is selected via a blind draw to receive a donation of \$1,000. Winning charities are chosen each quarter and are only eligible to win the award once every two years.

The first recipient of the generous 5C Program prize is the Westford Conservation Trust, selected by Columbia Tech employee, Rich Strazdas. <u>The Westford Conservation</u> works to preserve open land, water resources, wildlife, and their habitats; establish and maintain hiking trails; and educate the public about safe ways to interact with and preserve nature. It was founded in 1984 and continues to function as a private, nonprofit organization that successfully maintains several parcels of land for the benefit of Westford citizens and wildlife.

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