

## TOWN OF FAIRFIELD

## CONSERVATION COMMISSION 725 Old Post Road – Fairfield, CT 06824

## AGENDA November 20, 2024 7:00pm

The Conservation Commission will hold a public meeting at 7:00 p.m. on Wednesday, November 20, 2024 at the Fairfield Fire Training Center Room 102 located at 205 Richard White Way, Fairfield, CT and via WebEx. Members of the public: To view or listen by phone:

#### To participate on line via Zoom:

✓ Via web browser: <a href="https://zoom.us/j/7250682403">https://zoom.us/j/7250682403</a> (Passcode: 123)

✓ From the Zoom app on your computer, phone, or tablet:

Meeting ID: 725 068 2403 Meeting Passcode: 123

#### To view live:

- ✓ FairTV's cable channel (channel 79 for Fairfield Optimum Cablevision customers, and channel 6010 for Frontier Cable customers)
- ✓ FairTV's website: www.fairfieldct.org/government/fairtv/index.php
- ✓ YouTube: <a href="https://www.youtube.com/@fairtvgovernment720">https://www.youtube.com/@fairtvgovernment720</a>

#### Please Note:

- ✓ If you call to listen, you will not be heard by the committee members and there will be no live public comment until called for by the Chair during the meeting. The public is encouraged to send their comments before the meeting to the following email: <a href="mailto:Conservation@fairfieldct.org">Conservation@fairfieldct.org</a> with Conservation Commission 11/20/24 Meeting in the subject line.
- ✓ Backup documents relating to agenda items can be found at: https://FileCloud.town.fairfield.ct.us/url/vm2kxivhyahcdy6x

#### **COMMISSIONERS**

**Lukas Thomas**, Chairman (FM) **Dabney Bowen**, Vice Chair (FM)

**Richard Boucher**, Secretary (FM) **Peter Hood** (FM)

Jay Fain (FM) Vacant (A)

Kate O'Mahony (FM) Amanda Mertens Campbell (A)

Ted Luchsinger (FM) Dianne Saunders (A)

FM = Full Member A = Alternate Member



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#### I. CALL TO ORDER

#### II. APPOINTMENT OF ALTERNATES

### III. APPROVAL OF DRAFT MEETING MINUTES

1. Conservation Commission Meeting: October 16, 2024

#### IV. NEW BUSINESS

- 1. Conservation Easement modification request at 60 Mulberry Hill Road
- 2. Request by Steep Endurance for Lake Mohegan Trail Race on April 26, 2025
- **3.** Request by Dept. of Public Works/Police Dept. to improve backstop/berm at Hoydens Hill shooting range
- **4.** 2025 Meeting Calendar and nomination of Officers for Conservation Commission and Inland Wetlands Agency

#### V. OLD BUSINESS

- 1. November 8<sup>th</sup> planting in Binger Woods related to forestry test plots in collaboration with high school student, Emily Barnhart as part of a UConn conservation scholarship program
- **2.** Affidavits mailed to abutting property owners of the Oldfield Road North open space, per Town Attorney and CTDEEP's OSWA Grant Program

# VI. OPEN SPACE LAND ACQUISITIONS

- 1. (Cont') 26, 30, 36 Camden Street FEMA Hazard Mitigation Grant Program via Town Planning & Zoning was sold privately, no longer pursuing acquisition
- 2. Preparation underway at 150 Villa Avenue open space
- **3.** Recently initiated acquisition for new open space at 300 and 305 Stonewall Lane, totaling 12.07 acres



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**4.** Current acquisition Frequency Rate = 3.25 months/parcel

### VII. BILLS AND COMMUNICATIONS

### VIII. LEGAL/ENFORCEMENT ACTIONS

- 1. (Cont') 30 Laurel Brook Lane unauthorized encroachment/damages into Conservation Easement
- 2. (Cont') 120 Wakeman Lane discussion related to Conservation Easement

### IX. STAFF REPORT

- 1. Reports from the Conservation Department
  - a) Misc. improvement projects on open spaces
  - b) Planned trail installation Wakeman Boys & Girls Club at Westway open space on December 7, 2024

### X. OTHER

### XI. ADJOURN