



TOWN OF FAIRHAVEN, MASSACHUSETTS
**CONSERVATION
COMMISSION**



PUBLIC MEETING AGENDA
Monday, October 27, 2025 at 6:00 pm

Pursuant to Chapter 20 of the Acts of 2021, this meeting will be conducted in person and via remote means, in accordance with applicable law. This means that members of the public body as well as members of the public may access this meeting in person, or via virtual means. In person attendance will be at 40 Center Street, and it is possible that any or all members of the public body may attend remotely, with in-person attendance consisting of members of the public. MGL, Ch. 30a, § 20(f) requires anyone that intends to record any portions of a public meeting, either by audio or video, or both, to notify the Chair at the beginning of the meeting.

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Meeting ID: 869 5315 5076 Passcode: 633695

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In-person attendance is permitted for the public at Town Hall at 40 Center Street

1. Chairman's Welcome and Media Notification

2. Mission statement

Conservation by definition is the careful maintenance and upkeep of our natural resources to prevent them from disappearing. A natural resource being the physical supply of something that exists in nature, such as soil, water, air, plant and animal. Any perceived or plausible endangerments to these areas and sites shall fall before The Conservation Commission under the laws of Fairhaven and The State. We as a Committee will strive to make mindful and educated decisions with the assistance of our appointed conservation agents.

3. Quorum/Attendance

4. Requested Continuances

- a. SE 023-___, CON 023-535: 1 Crow Island, Map 44, Lot 1
- b. CON 023-522, SE 023-1508: 0 Huttleston Avenue, Map 34A, Lot 21

5. Approval of the September 15, 2025 & October 6, 2025 meeting minutes

6. Discussions

- a. Macomber Pimental Park – Sustainability Committee member, Christin Ritz to provide an overview of the proposed native plant garden to be located on the former bike track.
- b. Hiller & Timothy subdivision – Chair to provide an update on the conservation review process.

7. Certificates of Compliance

- a. 39 Nelson Avenue, Map 43, Lots 224 & 225

8. **Public Hearings** pursuant to the Massachusetts Wetlands Protection Act (M.G.L. Ch. 131, s. 40) and/or the Code of the Town of Fairhaven Chapter 192, Wetlands:

Requests for Determination of Applicability

a. CON 023-536: Ebony Street, Map 43A, Lot 322

Request for Determination of Applicability filed by Relentless Real Estate Group for the construction of a single-family home and associated work. The septic system will be installed outside of the 100' buffer zone of the Bordering Vegetated Wetlands (BVW). All filling & grading will be done at a distance greater than 70' from the existing BVW.

b. CON 023-537: 18 Point Street, Map 28B, Lot 207

Request for Determination of Applicability filed by Antonio & Doreen Albuquerque to remove existing crushed shell driveway, regrade to sub-grade elevation and install permeable pavers on a drainable base.

Notices of Intent

c. CON 023-490, SE 023-1496: 0 Perry Street, Map 31A, Lot 434 (*Earle Street*) – Continued from April 7, 2025, April 28, 2025, May 19, 2025, August 25, 2025 & October 6, 2025

Notice of Intent filed by David Vermette to construct a single-family home with associated driveway, grading, and utilities. The applicant also proposes to stabilize a portion of the lot previously disturbed and cleared. The parcel contains NHESP Priority Habitat and Buffer Zone to Bordering Vegetate Wetlands at Assessor's Map 31A, Lot 434.

d. CON 023-526, SE 023-1511: 110 Middle Street (Seaport Inn), Map 12, Lot 17 – Continued from August 25, 2025

Notice of Intent filed by Uday Patel to install floating docks and piles (~40 – 12-inch wooden piles to be installed to support 302 linear feet of six-foot-wide floats and 600 linear feet of 4-foot-wide finger floats). Work to take place within Land Under the Ocean & Land Subject to Coastal Storm Flowage, FEMA Flood Zone AE (El.6').

e. CON 023-538, SE 023-1515: 22 Point Street, Map 28B, Lots 204, 205 & 218

Notice of Intent filed by John & Gia Zolotas to remove the existing concrete seawall and patio and reconstruct with seawall, perimeter pervious patio, firepit and flagstone walkway. The entire site falls within Land Subject to Coastal Storm Flowage, Flood Zone VE (El.16') with work to take place within the buffer zone to Coastal Bank and Coastal Beach.

9. **Violations/Enforcement Orders/Cease and Desist Notices**

- a. Mill Road, Map 39, Lot 36:** Notice of Violation sent out April 1, 2025 for multiple abandoned vehicles, construction equipment/machinery, and diesel/oil containers dispersed throughout the wetlands. Update on Notice of Violation.
- b. 364 Huttleston Avenue, Map 34A, Lot 022:** Clearing of vegetation within 100 feet of the BVW. Update on Notice of Violation.

10. **Staff Updates**

- a. *Natural Heritage of Fairhaven Series: Our Blue Economy presented by Conservation Department and Conservation Commission Chair – Monday November3, 2025 at 6:30pm in the Unitarian church auditorium***

- b. *Marsh Island Salt Marsh Restoration Project – Grand Opening October 28, 2025 from 3:00-4:00pm (parking at the end of Taber Street)*
- c. *Marsh Island – Multi-day large-scale coastal debris cleanup with several partners and local organizations.*

Volunteers may choose times to offer their assistance during the following days:

Saturday November 1st 10:00am-2:00pm

Monday November 3rd 9:00am-4:00pm

Tuesday November 4th 9:00am-4:00pm

Wednesday November 5th 9:00-4:00pm

11. General Business

- a. Next scheduled site visits: Tentatively scheduled November 4, 2025
- b. Next Scheduled Public Hearing Date: November 17, 2025

12. Any other business that may properly come before the Commission not reasonably anticipated 48 hours in advance of the meeting.

13. Motion to adjourn

Brandon J. Estrella, Chair

Fairhaven Conservation Commission

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