

TOWN OF FAIRHAVEN, MASSACHUSETTS

CONSERVATION COMMISSION



PUBLIC MEETING AGENDA Monday, November 17, 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 Or call 1-929-205-6099

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. CON 023-535, SE 023-___: 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 October 27, 2025 Meeting Minutes
- **6. 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 023-539: Shady Drive, Map 38, Lot 013H

Request for Determination of Applicability filed by Ryan & Stacey Nunes to construct a single-family dwelling, install paved driveway, septic system, underground utilities and to fill and grade on the vacant property, which falls within the Nasketucket River Basin; the northwesterly lot corner falls within the 100-foot Buffer Zone of an off-site delineated BVW. Existing vacant lot is open grass field primarily void of trees.

c. CON 023-541: 4 Hemlock Street, Map 24, Lot 70

Request for Determination filed by John Rapoza to remove the existing stone driveway & walkway and replace with cement. Property within 200 feet of Riverfront.

Notices of Intent

d. CON 023-540, SE 023-1516: Ebony Street, Map 43A, Lot 322

Notice of Intent filed by Jake Galary (Relentless Real Estate Group) for the construction of a single-family dwelling & associated work. The septic system will be installed outside of the 100' buffer zone of the BVW. The portion of the proposed house, as well as filling & grading will take place $^{\sim}70'$ from the existing BVW.

7. 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.
- c. **25 Turner Avenue, Map 04, Lot 140**: Letter of Possible Violation sent on October 28, 2025 for unpermitted fence in the FEMA Flood Zone and materials/debris within Barrier Beach.
- d. 363 Huttleston Avenue, Map 31A, Lot 016: Letter of possible violation sent on November 12, 2025 for clearing of vegetation and an unpermitted boardwalk through the BVW/buffer zone.

8. General Business

- a. Next scheduled site visits: Tentatively scheduled November 24, 2025
- b. Next Scheduled Public Hearing Date: December 8, 2025
- c. Review 2026 Meeting Schedule draft
- d. Discuss & review Interdepartmental checklist draft
- e. Discuss & review application draft for Administrative Approvals for minor activities
- Any other business that may properly come before the Commission not reasonably anticipated 48 hours in advance of the meeting.

10. Motion to adjourn

Brandon J. Estrella, Chair

Fairhaven Conservation Commission

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