



TOWN OF FAIRHAVEN, MASSACHUSETTS

**CONSERVATION
COMMISSION**

PUBLIC MEETING AGENDA

Monday, June 29, 2026 at 6:00pm



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.

Access the meeting via remote means may do so in the following manner:

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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. Continuances

a. CON 023-569, SE 023-1528: 5 Lafayette Street, Map 13, Lot 048

5. Approval of the June 15th Meeting Minutes

6. Field Change

a. CON 023-390, SE 023-1436: 6 Emerson: Request to relocate required plantings under Order of Conditions issued November 18, 2024.

7. Conservation Restrictions

a. Weeden Road/DeNormandie Farm West

b. Boys Creek

8. French Avenue: Parcels 27-230 & 231

a. Discuss parcels to be owned by the town and dedicated to Conservation

9. Certificates of Compliance

a. CON 023-165, SE 023-1198: 51 Cedar Street, Map 04, Lot 155

b. Sycamore (Rear) Rembac Environmental

10. 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:

Amended Order of Conditions

a. **CON 023-490, SE 023-1496: 3 Earle Street (Formerly 0 Perry Street), Map 31A, Lot 434**

Request for Amended Order of Conditions filed by Vermette Development to install a sewer forcemain within the Earle Street right-of-way and to connect to the existing forcemain within the Jenny Street right-of-way. Work to take place within the 100-foot Buffer Zone to the Bordering Vegetated Wetlands (BVW) and MassWildlife's Natural Heritage & Endangered Species Program (NHESP) Estimated Habitats of Rare Species.

Requests for Determination of Applicability

b. **CON 023-572: 22 Reservation Road, Map 29A, Lot 237**

Request for Determination of Applicability filed by Andrew Panek to remove vegetation for raised garden beds and a raised platform for a seasonal tent. Parcel located within Land Subject to Coastal Storm Flowage, FEMA Flood Zone VE (El. 16').

c. **CON 023-580: 11 Balsam Street, Map 43C, LOT 127** (*Advertised in the Standard Times*)

Request for Determination of Applicability filed by Nora & Henry Bradford to clear trees and vegetation for purposes of a percolation test. Parcel located within Land Subject to Coastal Storm Flowage, FEMA Flood Zone VE (El.20').

Notices of Intent

d. **CON 023-546, SE 023-1519: 4 Earle Street, Map 31A, Lot 453** – *Continued from April 7, 2026 & May 18, 2026*

Notice of Intent filed by Joel Cordero to construct a single-family house, garage, raised deck, driveway and the extension of an existing gravel road within the 100-foot Buffer Zone to a BVW.

e. **CON 023-552, SE 023-1521: 184 Balsam Street, Map 43B, 041** – *Continued from April 7, 2026*

Notice of Intent filed by Robert Sullivan to dredge and remove approximately 97 cubic yards of material under existing dock. Work to take place within Land Under Ocean and Land Containing Shellfish.

f. **CON 023-576: 115 Dogwood Street, Map 43A, Lot 258** (*Bylaw applicable only – No DEP File No.*)

Notice of Intent filed by Ben Reis for construction of a single-family dwelling, associated grading and septic system. Property located within 100 feet from an Isolated Vegetated Wetland (IVW).

- g. CON 023-577: 0 Dogwood Street, Map 43A, Lots 262, 264, 266** (*Bylaw applicable only – No DEP File No.*)
Notice of Intent filed by Ben Reis to remove trees and vegetation to conduct a percolation test on lots within 100 feet to an IVW.

11. Violations/Enforcement Orders/Cease and Desist Notices

- a. Mill Road, Map 39, Lot 036:** Notice of Violation sent out April 1, 2025 for multiple abandoned vehicles, construction equipment/machinery, and diesel/oil containers dispersed throughout the wetlands. June 4, 2026: Certified Notice to Appear; Ratified Enforcement Order June 15, 2026.
- b. 364 Huttleston Avenue, Map 34A, Lot 022:** Clearing of vegetation within 100-foot Buffer Zone to the BVW. Update on Notice of Violation & site inspection. *June 4, 2026: Certified Notice to Appear; Ratified Enforcement Order June 15, 2026.*
- c. 0 Huttleston Avenue, Map 34A, Lot 21:** Clearing of trees and vegetation within the 100-foot Buffer Zone to the BVW. Owner working with engineer to submit NOI. ***Application submitted June 18, 2026; project to open on the July 20, 2026 meeting.***
- d. 97 Church Street, Map 06, Lot 178:** Clearing of vegetation within the 100-foot Buffer Zone to the BVW. Cease and Desist issued April 14, 2026. Discuss site visit findings from April 16, 2026. Site Visit on June 17, 2026. June 4, 2026: Certified Notice to Appear.
- e. Knollmere Beach Association (Weeden Road):** Clearing of vegetation within the Salt Marsh; Notice to Appear sent certified to the Knollmere Beach Association on June 22, 2026.
- f. CON 023-568: Alden Road (David Drown Boulevard), Map 28, Lots 22B & 22D:** Land clearing approved under Determination of Applicability on April 27, 2026; Fill on top of nonfunctioning silt fence; Erosion/sediment control & stormwater drainage need to be corrected to mitigate sediment into the intermittent stream within 15 feet from the man-made berms.

12. General Business

- a.** Discuss date & times for the next scheduled site visits
- b.** Next Scheduled Public Hearing Date: July 20, 2026
- c.** Discuss implementing Meeting Curfew & Adjournment no later than 9:00PM

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

14. Motion to adjourn

Brandon J. Estrella, Chair
Fairhaven Conservation Commission

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