



**MINUTES
CONSERVATION COMMISSION
REGULAR MEETING
November 12, 2025
7:30 PM - TOWN HALL-ENFIELD ROOM
820 Enfield St, Enfield, CT**

1. CALL TO ORDER

Chair Cote called the meeting to order at 8:50pm.

2. ROLL CALL

Present: William Cote, Karen LaPlante, Gretchen Pfeifer-Hall, Kathleen Vose, Nancy Wyzga

Absent: Michael Dynia

Also present were Director of Planning, Laurie Whitten; Assistant Planner, Stephen Hiney; and Recording Secretary, Rebecca Jones.

Megan Kelley, member of the public, was also present.

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A. October 14, 2025

MOTION by: Karen LaPlante seconded: Nancy Wyzga to approve the October 14, 2025 meeting minutes.

UPON A SHOW OF HANDS VOTE, the Chair declared the motion approved. Yes: William Cote, Karen LaPlante, Gretchen Pfeifer-Hall, Kathleen Vose, Nancy Wyzga No: None Abstain: None.

4. PUBLIC HEARINGS

None.

5. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

None.

6. CORRESPONDENCE/STAFF REPORT

The commissioners discussed the CACIWC conference and their email list.

7. APPROVAL OF INVOICES/OTHER FINANCIAL MATTERS

None.

8. REPORTS OF OFFICERS, COMMITTEES AND STAFF

The Scantic River Watershed Association will hold their annual meeting on December 3, 2025 at 6:30 at the Senior Center. They are having an issue with dog waste being left next to the receptacles.

9. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

A. ECC Goals for 2026

- Create a list of potential or valued open space parcels and establish a process for submitting open space parcels to Town Council for consideration and purchase
- Search for and submit a grant request for natural resources
- Identify a location in town that would benefit from planting trees
- Identify vernal pools in Enfield
- Elm/Shaker Community Garden project
- Creating a trail map

The Town is now working with two GIS coordinators. Chair Cote also spoke with a GIS coordinator who is willing to assist the commission. Chair Cote spoke with Melissa Everett, who shared information about potential grants. The commissioners agreed to table 'identify a location in town that would benefit from planting trees' and 'identify vernal pools in Enfield' until next year. The new GIS system will assist in creating a new trail map.

B. Review of By-Laws

Commissioner LaPlante notified Mr. Hiney of a few minor typographical errors.

MOTION by: Nancy Wyzga **seconded:** Karen LaPlante to approve the by-laws as amended.

UPON A SHOW OF HANDS VOTE, the Chair declared the motion approved. Yes: William Cote, Karen LaPlante, Gretchen Pfeifer-Hall, Kathleen Vose, Nancy Wyzga No: None Abstain: None.

10. NEW BUSINESS

None.

11. DATE OF NEXT REGULAR MEETING

A. December 9, 2025

12. ADJOURNMENT

MOTION by: Gretchen Pfeifer-Hall, seconded: Kathleen Vose to adjourn.

Upon a **SHOW-OF-HANDS** vote being taken, the Chair declared the motion adopted

unanimously, and the meeting stood adjourned at 9:19pm.

Respectfully submitted,
Kathleen Vose
Secretary

Rebecca Jones
Recording Secretary