



**PUTNAM VALLEY
COMMISSION FOR THE CONSERVATION
OF THE ENVIRONMENT**

**MINUTES OF THE APRIL 13, 2023, MEETING OF
THE PV CCE**

In Attendance: Chair Wendy Whetsel, Members, CCE members Aubrey Carter, Glenn Sapir and Mike Usai and Guest Christy Kroll

Absent: CCE Members Mia Azcue, Eileen Reilly and Julie Ruben

The meeting was called to order at the Putnam Valley Library Community Room at approximately 5:30. Christy Kroll, a PV resident who lives on Peekskill Hollow Road across from Camp Combe, raised environmental concerns to the CCE about proposed expansion and renovations at the camp. She provided helpful maps and additional information. Related to this issue, Wendy Whetsel presented a document naming the PV Planning Board as the lead agency in the review process of this proposal, which she signed, acknowledging CCE's recognition of the Planning Board's lead agency position.

Wendy reported that the CCE's recommendations on ridgeline management are being incorporated into the Hillside Management Code with Bruce Barber's recommendations. Wendy will ask for additional or revised specifications to be incorporated into a revised ridgeline map, which would serve as an additional resource in the Hillside Management Plan.

Wendy reported that residents are looking into inexpensive means to test their wells.

Wendy reported that she has emailed Jason Horr, PV High School Environmental Club coordinator, to explore how students might work with the CCE.

Aubrey Carter reported he will continue to try to set up a new Facebook page for the CCE.

Glenn Sapir was asked to contact Supervisor Annabi to learn of any plans for a town cleanup on Earth Day, April 22.

Wendy suggested that this is an appropriate time to remind residents at the next Town Board meeting about the vine-removal slide show and that this is an appropriate time to remove vines.

Aubrey suggested we help organize a nature walk for the public, and he said he will contact the Hudson Highlands Land Trust to learn of its interest in participating in such an outing.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:15 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Glenn Sapir, Recording Secretary