



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

**MINUTES OF THE JUNE 9, 2023, MEETING OF
THE PV CCE**

In Attendance: Chair Wendy Whetsel, Members, CCE members Mia Azcue, Aubrey Carter, Eileen Reilly, Glenn Sapir and Mike Usai and ad hoc members Ciara Clauss and Christi Kroll
Absent: CCE Member Julie Ruben

The meeting was called to order at the Putnam Valley Library Community Room at approximately 5:30.

Aubrey Carter reported that he had worked with the Putnam Valley Parks and Recreation Commission to schedule a summer nature walk for the town park on July 22 at 10 a.m. Aubrey showed a flyer designed by Ciara Clauss to publicize the event. Wendy expressed the hope that this hike would be a chance for participants to connect with nature.

Wendy Whetsel reviewed Town Supervisor Annabi's requirements for acceptance of ridgeline protection verbiage in the Town Code. Wendy asked Mike Usai to address those requirements, and Wendy was asked to send Supervisor Annabi's letter to all CCE members.

Christi Kroll reported that she understood that Camp Combe's site plan has been put on hold. Eileen Reilly agreed to contact Building Inspector Quaglietta regarding tree cutting that has already taken place at the camp without plan approval.

Wendy stated that she would like to educate residents on new products that help reduce what is going into our landfills.

Glenn Sapir suggested that at each CCE meeting we get a volunteer from the CCE to represent the commission at the next Town Board meeting and give a report on our activities. Aubrey volunteered to attend the meeting on June 21 and report on the nature walk he will be coordinating.

Wendy will invite the Town Highway Supervisor to our next meeting to meet with us regarding vine cutting along our roadsides.

Wendy will reach out to the Hudson Highlands Land Trust to learn of current data on Open Space Inventory .

Wendy suggested that the CCE connect with the lake districts in town to get their email lists.

Christi volunteered to research changes in the Town Code from the previous 2007 Master Plan relevant to the environment.

The next meeting was scheduled for Thursday, July 13, at 6 p.m. at the PV Library Community Room.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:40 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Glenn Sapir,
CCE Recording Secretary