



**PUTNAM VALLEY
COMMISSION FOR THE CONSERVATION
OF THE ENVIRONMENT
Town Hall, Putnam Valley NY 10579**

MINUTES OF THE JUNE 9, 2025 MEETING OF
THE PUTNAM VALLEY COMMISSION FOR THE CONSERVATION OF THE
ENVIRONMENT

In Attendance: CCE members: Beth Gorman (Chair), Jeffrey Coren, Allison Hague, Kelly Weill, and Mike Usai

Members of the public: Greg Donohue, Mike Towle

The meeting was called to order at 6:35pm. The roll was called and is reported above.

Kelly and Allison began the meeting with an update on their meeting with the Putnam Valley High School environmental club's teacher, Ms. Lewis, to discuss student interest in serving on the CCE as a student member. There was some interest in the idea and could be done as part of the International Baccalaureate program. It was suggested that the CCE speaks with the Science Research Program coach. Allison will reach out.

If there are no students at the high school interested, the CCE discussed college students between the ages of 18 and 21 and/or the scouts. Greg will connect Kelly and Allison with the co-ed scouts leader.

Allison then discussed the presentation about recycling on which she and Wendy Whetsel have been working. The presentation could be clipped to be disseminated through social media posts and kept as a full presentation for events to highlight the importance of recycling and increase recycling in Putnam Valley. The CCE then discussed recycling concerns about local carters and the ultimate disposition of recycled material. The town codes established recycling policy and perhaps should be reviewed. The current policy was established in 1973.

Kelly then discussed the CCE's increasing social media presence including Facebook and Instagram and material to post. One goal is to cross-post to other PV group's social media (e.g., Lake Peekskill's Facebook). Kelly will continue to create posts and strategize ways to push out and promote content.

Towards the end of the meeting Mike Towle handed out to the CCE a history of environmental planning in PV that he compiled as the CCE starts to think more deeply about the town's environmental regulations.

The next meeting will be on Monday July 14, 2025 at 6:30pm at the Grace Methodist Church, 337 Peekskill Hollow Road.

Meeting adjourned at 7:40 pm.
Mike Usai, Secretary