

Preston Conservation and Agricultural Commission
Monday, January 26, 2026
7:00 P.M.
Preston Town Hall Lower-level Conference Room
Regular Meeting
AGENDA

1. Call to Order

2. Roll Call

Regular Members

Gary Piszczek, Chairman
Matthew Snurkowski, Vice Chairman
Lynwood Crary
Margaret Gibson
Sandy Pimentel
Ted Zajac
Rebecca Hayes

Alternates

Vacancy
Ray Offenbacher

Recorder

Rebecca Hayes

3. Approval of November 24, 2025, Regular Meeting Minutes.

4. Comments from the Public - Public Comment and Question Session: Each individual will be limited to 3 minutes and the entire session will last no more than 15 minutes. All comments and questions must be germane to the agency's business. No individual may yield his/her time to another individual. (Town Ordinance: 03.06.08)

5. Communications

- a. **Letter: Nov. 25, 2025: The CT Audubon Society: Northeast Corner Programs**
- b. **Email: Nov. 25, 2025: CT Land Conservation Council: Monthly Review – November 2025**
- c. **Email: Dec. 4, 2025: CT Land Conservation Council: New Grant Programs**
- d. **Email: Dec. 4, 2025 The CT Audubon Society: Osprey Nation 2025 Report**
- e. **Email: Dec. 18, 2025: CT Land Conservation Council: Save the Date for the Ct Land Conservation Conference March 21, 2026**
- f. **Phone calls (multiple) from Lauren Lichtenstein regarding invasive bamboo, suggesting that Preston follow Bozrah's Invasive Plant Ordinance.**
- g. **Email: Dec. 23, 2025: CT Land Conservation Council: Monthly Review**
- h. **Email: Dec. 30, 2025: CT Land Conservation Council: Impact Report 2025**
- i. **Letter: Jan. 8, 2025: Eastern Connecticut Conservation District: 2025 Annual Report**
- j. **Letter: Jan. 8, 2025: Eastern Connecticut Conservation District: Appeal for Funding Support**
- k. **Email: Jan. 12, 2026: CT Land Conservation Council: Membership Reminder**
- l. **Email: Jan. 10, 2026: The CT Audubon Society: EcoTravel Update**

- m. Letter: Jan. 13, 2025: : CT Land Conservation Council: 2026 Municipal Commission Affiliate Application**
- n. Email: Jan. 13, 2026: CT Land Conservation Council: New Year, New Opportunities**
- o. Email: Jan. 16, 2026: CT DEEP Wildlife Division: Wildlife Highlights January 2026**

6. Public Hearings – None

7. Old Business

- a. Sustainable CT Report**
- b. Osprey Nest**
- c. CAC Website Page**
- d. Mary Dora Woodland native plant inventory**
- e. CT Forest and Park Association Partnership**

8. Boots on the Ground – paddles in the water report, Amos Lake Association

- a. Pollinator Pathways**

9. New Business

a. Mary Dora Woodland Preserve – Phase 2

- 1. Trail Signage**
- 2. Plant Inventory and Signage**
- 3. Pollinator and habitat areas identified**

b. Membership

1. Renewals - Margaret Gibson (resignation), re-appoint - Matthew Snurkowski and Lynwood Crary

2. Vacancy – Aimee Allaire

c. Joint meeting with Planning & Zoning Commission on Jan. 27, 2026 at 5:30 P.M. to discuss Open Space Subdivision Regulations.

d. Farm Machinery Tax Credit

e. Native Plant Resolution

f. Native Plant Resolution

g. Bamboo concerns

h. CT 490

i. Support Letter

10. Meanderings

11. Adjournment

CAC Membership List w/ terms

Regular Members

Gary Piszczek – 1/1/2029
Margaret Gibson – 12/31/2025
Matthew Snurkowski – 12/31/2025
Lynwood Crary – 12/31/2025
Ted Zajac – 01/01/2028
Sandy Pimentel – 12/31/2026
Rebecca Hayes – 01/01/2030

Alternate(s)

Vacancy – 12/31/2025
Ray Offenbacher – 01/01/2031

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