**Canaan Conservation Commission**

Bill Chabot: Chair, 3 year term ending April 30, 2024

Len Reitsma:
3 year term ending August 31, 2022

Elizabeth Chabot: Secretary,
3 year term ending April 30, 2022

Thomas Oppel: 3 year term ending January 2024

Cody Hussey: 3 year term ending January 2024

**Alternates:**

Alice Schori

Noel Everts

**Selectboard Representative:**

Stephen Freese

Commission Members

*Minutes*

August 4, 2022

Attendees: Bill Chabot, Len Reitsma, Elizabeth Chabot, Thomas Oppel

Cody Hussey, Alice Shori

Hosted by Jerold Theis, Chair of the Enfield Conservation Commission

The Enfield CC has recently completed a comprehensive Natural Resources inventory. One of the slides shared during the meeting displayed the Mascoma watershed which reaches far into the town of Canaan. Protection of the watershed is of utmost interest to Enfield and should be to Lebanon as well since the Lebanon water supply comes from Mascoma lake.

The Enfield CC is interested in having continued discussions with the Canaan CC regarding conservation of properties along the shared town border within the watershed. We shared that we have commenced an outreach project to owners of properties of interest and those on our western border would be of interest to Enfield as well. Enfield could be interested in collaborating with this effort.

An issue for both CCs is the recruitment of younger members. A future activity is a brainstorming effort in this regard

Inviting legislators to our meetings could be a critical step for advocacy at the state house level.

All of Enfield’s water comes from wells, some of which are in Canaan.

Old Septic systems are concerning. Enfield has had issues with Enterococcus in Crystal lake.

Follow up meeting anticipated on October 7, 2022

*Respectfully submitted by Elizabeth Chabot*