

Chairman's Message

Welcome to the Richmond Conservation Commission web page! We're excited to present to Town residents, visitors and other interested persons with important information on the roles and responsibilities of the Commission as well as activities and places that Town residents and visitors can take part in, enjoy, and appreciate as ways to respect and conserve our Town's natural resources. Richmond is a great place to live and enjoy with its clean rivers and streams, expansive forest cover, scenic farmlands, and many public open spaces to enjoy! The Conservation Commission seeks Town residents to appreciate and install strong stewardship values for protecting, conserving and restoring these vital natural resources. Thank you for your interest in our resources and the Town Conservation Commission that helps to conserve them. Please do not hesitate join us at our regularly-scheduled Commission meetings (typically the first Wednesday of each month), or contact the Commission if you have any questions, comments, or concerns over our responsibilities to the Town and its residents.

James Turek, Conservation Commission Chairperson

Mission Statement

The Conservation Commission has developed a mission statement to define the Commission's vision, mission and core values for helping protect, conserve, and restore the natural resources of Richmond.

Vision

Richmond is a beautiful place to live. The quality of life in our community is enriched by its environmental setting and sustained by a stewardship for and the wise conservation and protection of the natural resources in our Town.

Mission

The Richmond Conservation Commission is responsible for and promotes conservation of Richmond's natural resources, helps to protect our valuable watershed resources, supports conservation and preservation of our Town's natural areas, and strives to promote environmental stewardship and public understanding of sustainable, environmentally-sound land use practices in Richmond.

Core Values

Conservation: Our natural resources are finite and are highly valued by our citizenry. Conservation practices are essential to sustaining high quality lands, water and air, and are integral to sustaining a quality environment in the best interest of our residents and future generations.

Stewardship: An informed public is vital to sound natural resource conservation and instilling an environmental stewardship ethic. Our citizenry, serving as wise environmental stewards, will help in sustaining a quality environment in our community.

Restoration: The rehabilitation or restoration of degraded natural resources to a former or improved condition is important to providing a quality environment in our community and for future generations.