Open Space and Trails Committee Meeting Agenda Monday, June 26th, 7:00 pm Town Hall

- A. Call to order.
- B. Members present.
- C. Audience.
- D. Approval of prior meeting minutes (05/15/2023).
- E. Correspondence.
- F. Old Business:
 - a. DEEP Bureau of Natural Resources Fisheries Division collected fish community and water quality samples Thursday, May 18.
 - b. Project Plan Review.
- G. New Business:
 - a. Fishing with DEEP at Hurds Lake on June 28.
 - b. Aya Po improvements continue,
 - i. A new concrete pad for Porta-Potties is installed,
 - ii. The new PD, ACO Office/Storage trailer has been placed,
 - iii. Another telephone pole on Camp Road with power lines to feed the new office trailer has been ordered from Eversource.
 - iv. DPW continues with the brush and tree clean-ups,
 - v. The Fire Department conducted underwater training and found two existing anchorages off of the beach, which we can use for the flowing swimming area barriers,
- H. Opportunity to add agenda items.
- I. Next Meeting September 18, 2023.
- J. Adjournment.

Connecticut Aquatic Resources Education



The Town of Somers is proud to partner with the DEEP Fisheries Division – Connecticut Aquatic Resources

Education (CARE) program to host a "FISH with CARE" Event at Hurds Lake on Camp Road, Somers on June 28th,

2023 from 5:00PM to 8:00PM. Come join expert fishing coaches and learn how to get started fishing safely, legally, and successfully! The CARE program supplies all bait, tackle, and instruction – FREE OF CHARGE!

Registration is open at the <u>DEEP Hunting and Fishing Education registration system</u> (Filter by Event Type "FISH with CARE"). A <u>Conservation Identification Number</u> is required for registration. Space is limited to 20 participants so early sign-up is encouraged. Minimum age to participate is 6 years old, and all children are required to have a parent/guardian participate alongside them.

All participants ages 16 and above <u>MUST</u> have a valid 2023 inland fishing license – you can get your license <u>HERE</u>. Anglers under 16 are encouraged to register for a free <u>Youth Fishing Passport (YFP)</u>, which supports our very popular <u>Youth Fishing Challenge</u>!

Participants should learn the basics of fishing by completing the CARE program's self-paced <u>Let's Go Fishing</u> / Vamos de Pescar online course prior to attending the FISH with CARE event.

Helpful Links and Resources:

- Purchase your CT Fishing License Online
- Youth Fishing Passport
- Register for a CARE Fishing Event
- Take a fishing course: Let's Go Fishing! / ¡Vamos de Pescar! OR Introduction to Fishing Zoom Webinar
- Let's Go Fishing Video Library
- Fishing Regulations / Reglamentos de Pesca
- Freshwater Fishing Guide
- Saltwater Fishing Guide
- Trout Stocking Maps
- CT is Fishy (Interactive application)
- Learn more about the CARE Program



WITH DEEP FISHERIES

Hurd's Lake

Camp Road, Somers

June

5:00PM-8:00PM

The DEEP Fisheries Division will provide all the gear, bait, and expert help for FREE! Must have a fishing license (free for those 65 years old and older)

REGISTRATION REQUIRED

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