Sutton Conservation Commission Agenda
Friday, November 20, 2026
Sutton Fire Department

1. Welcome –

2. Approve October minutes

5. Wanda and Don will share presentation on Passumpsic River cleanup

3. Vote on our Mission Statement
4. Talk about budget ask
5. Next meeting goals

Mission Statement

"The mission of the Sutton Conservation Committee is to ***safeguard, celebrate, and responsibly steward the natural heritage, agricultural legacy, and rural character*** *of Sutton, Vermont. Through community engagement, education, and collaborative partnerships, we protect our town's vital water resources, fertile soils, and diverse landscapes. We are dedicated to* ***fostering a sustainable balance between our working forests and the vital wildlife habitats they support****, ensuring that Sutton's rich farming traditions and tranquil environment thrive together to preserve a resilient ecosystem and a high quality of life for current and future generations."*

Core Pillars of the Mission

- ***Working Forest & Habitat Balance:*** *Supporting responsible forestry and land use while actively preserving the contiguous forest blocks and corridors that native wildlife rely on.*
- ***Agricultural Stewardship:*** *Partnering with local farmers and landowners to protect the working soils and agricultural traditions that define the town's identity.*
- ***Resource Protection:*** *Monitoring and conserving local watersheds, wetlands, and natural features to maintain ecological health.*
- ***Community Engagement:*** *Bridging the connection between residents and the landscape through conservation education, acting as a resource hub, and collaborative stewardship.*