

Notice is hereby given that a Public Hearing and Special Town Meeting will be held on January 3, 2018, 7:30 PM, Ridgefield Town Hall Large Conference Room, 400 Main Street, Ridgefield, Connecticut to consider and act on the following changes in Ridgefield Code under Chapter 24: Citations. ***Bold italics*** represents addition to existing language; brackets and strikethrough (~~strikethrough~~) indicates deletion of text.

Chapter 24: Citations

Article III: Wetlands Violations

§ 24-16 Authority; service of citation.

Pursuant to Connecticut General Statutes §§ 22a-42g and 7-152c, the Inland Wetlands Agent is authorized to issue citations for violations of the Inland Wetlands and Watercourses Regulations of the Town of Ridgefield to the extent and in the manner provided by this article and by statute. Any such citation may be served either by hand delivery or by certified mail, return receipt requested, to the person named in the citation. If the person named in the citation which has been sent by certified mail refuses to accept such mail, the citation may be sent by regular United States mail.

§ 24-17 Violations for which citation may be issued.

A citation may be issued for any violation of the Inland Wetlands and Watercourses Regulations of the Town of Ridgefield.

§ 24-18 Amount of fine.

The fine for each citation shall be issued according to monetary amounts defined by CGS 22a-42g, payable to the Town of Ridgefield.

§ 24-19 Time period for payment of uncontested fine.

A person named in the citation shall be allowed a period of 30 days from the date of his or her receipt of the citation to make an uncontested payment of the fine specified in the citation. If the citation has been sent by regular mail pursuant to the provisions of § 24-16 above, the day of receipt of the citation shall be deemed to be three business days after the day of mailing of the citation.

§ 24-20 Hearing to contest citation.

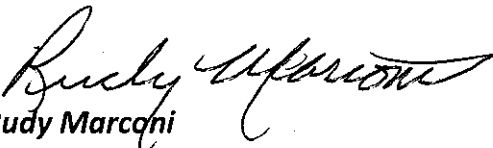
Any person issued a citation shall be entitled to a hearing to contest the citation. In order to receive a hearing, the person named in the citation must deliver or mail a written request for a hearing to the Inland Wetlands Agent within 30 days of his or her receipt of the citation. The request must be received by the Inland Wetlands Agent within the thirty-day period. The procedures for hearing, disposition and enforcement shall be as is set forth in the Connecticut General Statutes, § 7-152c, hearing procedure for citations, as the same may be amended from time to time.

§ 24-21 Selection of citation hearing officers.

The First Selectman shall appoint one or more citation hearing officers to conduct the hearings necessary pursuant to this article. The Inland Wetlands Agent, Zoning Enforcement Officer, Building Official or any employee or member of the Ridgefield Planning and Zoning Commission or Inland Wetlands Board may not be appointed as a hearing officer pursuant to this section.

§ 24-22 Remedies not exclusive.

The provisions of this chapter are in addition to, and not in lieu of, any other remedies available to the Town under the Connecticut General Statutes or other applicable section of the Town Code.


Rudy Marconi
First Selectman