



# Patrick T O’Gara

Candidate for Planning Commission, New Fairfield

A proud New Fairfield homeowner, Patrick brings a fresh perspective to the table. An avid outdoorsman, Patrick has dedicated his career and education to the environment. He holds an M.S. in Earth Systems and Environmental Engineering from the City College of New York and works as a senior consultant in the renewable energy industry, working to curb carbon emissions.

In his free time, Patrick can be found trail running at Great Hollow, biking the endless hills of New Fairfield, or hiking the Appalachian Trail. Patrick and his partner, Michelle, have lived in New Fairfield since 2017, along with their four-year-old son, DJ, and their three big, goofy dogs.

Patrick understands the importance of commitment to the **Planning Commission** and its important role in serving all the citizens of New Fairfield. Patrick pledges to work together cooperatively and across party lines with our other boards and commissions to serve the residents of New Fairfield.

**If elected, Patrick pledges to:**

- Serve the Town of New Fairfield and its residents in a fair and unbiased manner.
- Make the center of town more accessible and valuable to New Fairfielders.
- Make the new Margerie Trail an enjoyable asset for generations to come.

*“I would be grateful for the opportunity to make a difference in this town we all love. We have all been talking about what we want New Fairfield to look like. During the upcoming term, the Planning Commission will create a new Plan of Conservation and Development (POCD), an important document which serves to outline the next decade of New Fairfield’s land use future. As an elected member of the Planning Commission, I would help shape that document to reflect what community members want.”*