

Bringing our Town Together

Easton has always been a small town characterized by civil discourse, shared values, and a common vision. We focus on raising our families, helping our neighbors, and enjoying our farms, open space, and reservoirs. We built an idyllic community with a foundation of respect for one and other.

Political parties don't matter. What matters is getting back to the Easton we all know and love. As your full time First Selectman, I will reunite our town. The Board of Selectmen will focus on our town's agenda, not a sociopolitical agenda from Hartford or Washington. I will bring together Easton's religious and community leaders to help us focus on what unites us. We will have open, face-to-face conversations about who we are as Eastonites, and what we need to do to move our community forward. We will bring civility back to our town.

“Let us never negotiate out of fear but let us never fear to negotiate. Let both sides explore what problems unite us instead of belaboring those problems which divide us.” — John F Kennedy

Protecting Easton Zoning from Hartford's Overreach

Easton is subject to recent legislation from Hartford that could change not only our town's rural character but threaten the environment and the watershed areas as well. A new law, passed by the legislature and signed by the Governor, is the first step in allowing the State to take control of our zoning regulations. This legislation does allow towns to “opt out” of certain requirements of this bill if action is taken by January 2023 with a two-thirds majority vote of the Board of Selectman. We need a strong voice to stand up for Easton and push back on Hartford's overreach. Our current First Selectman has been silent on this town-altering law. But as your First Selectman, I will move to “opt out” of this immediately and allow Easton to remain in control of its own destiny.

Vote “No” to the Proposed South Park Sale

The property on South Park has been a point of discussion for a number of years. The current First Selectman formed a hand-picked committee of interested and knowledgeable citizens to serve on the South Park Advisory Committee to research possible uses for the property. This committee deliberated for 18 months, reviewed multiple options, and advised the Selectmen NOT to sell the 18.7 acres to the Aspetuck Land Trust at this time. The committee did not identify an option worth currently pursuing.

Additionally, the financial offer made by the Aspetuck Land Trust, tied to a state grant, would pay us pennies on the dollar of what Easton borrowed — and is still paying off — to purchase the property in 2008. Buying the entire parcel for \$6.1 million and selling more than 60% of the land for \$470,000 is a poor financial move. A better plan that addresses the entire 29.80 acres needs to be formulated before any action is taken. Fortunately, the recently passed Land Use Ordinance will give the citizens of Easton the right to decide.