

**Barrington Conservation Commission  
January 17, 2019, 6:30 PM  
Barrington Elementary School Conference Room, Route 125**

**PRESENT:** John Wallace, Chair  
Pam Failing, Vice-chair  
Charlie Briggs  
Doug Bogen  
Dan Ayer, Select Board liaison

**ABSENT** Anne Melvin  
Marika Wilde, alternate  
Glenn Gould, alternate  
Ken Grossman, alternate

**NOTE: THESE ARE SUMMARY ACTION MINUTES ONLY. A COMPLETE COPY OF THE MEETING AUDIO IS AVAILABLE AT THE LAND USE DEPARTMENT.**

**CALL TO ORDER**

Barrington Conservation Commission (BCC) Chair John Wallace called the meeting of January 17, 2018 to order at 6:30.

**DELEGATION OF VOTING MEMBERS** Chair John Wallace confirmed the presence of members as above.

- 1) Sightings A 3-toed sloth (Barrington? No, Costa Rica), possible county champion striped maple, flying squirrel, and owl were reported. Another sighting of note was Pam's early arrival for the meeting.
- 2) Guests: Kyle Pymmental & Marcia Moreno-Baez (SRPC); Lisa Wise & Amanda Stone (UNH-CE): update of NRI and co-occurrence map. The group looked at the mapping available (produced by the Nature Conservancy) with a focus on (major) flood storage areas, buffers for water quality, and single and multiple benefits (which includes water quality, flood risk reduction, and public water supply). It is thought that some of this mapping could be incorporated into the Natural Resources Assessment.
- 3) Complaints: none
- 4) Approval of minutes of Dec. 20 Approval was tabled until the next meeting.
- 5) Old Business
  - a) Possible forest management plan on SATWaSR, with funding from the NRCS EQIP program The Lands Use Committee is looking at other towns' forest management plans to get ideas.
  - b) Goodwill Driveway/Parking area John will put together a cover letter in preparation for this going out to bid.
  - c) Conservation Projects:
    - i) Funding for Haley/Panish/Rubinstein project: approve money (up to \$40,000) from conservation fund. \$190K from DWGWTF approved, \$10K from Portsmouth approved, \$20K from Moose Plate approved, \$10K Fields Pond Foundation approved; \$10K from Bafflin Foundation approved  
**Charlie Briggs made a motion to appropriate \$1,066.15 from the conservation fund for the closing costs for the Rubenstein parcel. Pam Failing seconded the motion, which passed unanimously with a vote of four (4) to zero (0) in favor.**  
**Pam Failing made a motion to allocate up to \$40,000 from the conservation fund for the Haley/ Panish/ Rubinstein project. Doug Bogen seconded the motion, which passed unanimously with a vote of four (4) to zero (0) in favor.**
    - ii) Schulz property (tax map 224 lot 18, 45 acres, Brewster Rd): SELT will manage the conservation of and take ownership of this property.

- 6) New Business:
- a) Proposed purchase by town of 0.09 acres from Map 241 Lot 16, Wildcat Rd. **Charlie Briggs made a motion to approve the purchase of land (Map 241, Lot 16) on Wildcat Road. Doug Bogen seconded the motion, which passed unanimously with a vote of four (4) to zero (0) in favor.** John will write a letter to the Selectboard noting this approval.
  - b) Send letter to DES on new wetlands rules? John wrote a draft letter to DES from the CC in response for input on the proposed new wetland rules. John's letter noted that the CC could not support the proposal to completely remove conservation commission review for Permits by Notification, nor to reduce their turnaround time from ten to five days. A recommendation is that the conservation commissions review a proposal in the form of a pre application. Also mentioned was that the CC does not support including projects involving access to residential or commercial projects in the Permit by Notification process. **Charlie Briggs made a motion to send John's letter to DES with Conservation Commission endorsement. Pam Failing seconded the motion, which passed unanimously with a vote of four (4) to zero (0) in favor.**
  - c) Conservation Commission officers In the near future a new CC chairman will need to come forward.
  - d) Bowlen & Gelinas: Three lot subdivision, Pond Hill Rd.(map 203 lot 22) The CC reviewed the plans and determined that the group had no major concerns the the application. However, it did not support a waiver from requiring identification of natural features. (subdivision regulation 5.3.1 9) The CC feels that impacts to areas such as wetlands could occur unless the development is limited to the "area of interest" shown on the plan. If development is not limited to the AOI, the CC would like to review the application again when the natural features for the entire parcel are identified and noted on the plan. John will write a memo to the PB with the CC recommendation.
  - e) ZBA:
  - f) DES:
  - g) Treasurer's report (Pam)
  - h) Goals for 2018:
    - i) trails booklet
    - ii) establish ties with Lakes Associations
    - iii) update Natural Resources Inventory, co-occurrence map
    - iv) make Natural Resources Inventory more accessible
    - v) town representative to Lamprey River LAC
    - vi) Wetland buffer ordinance
  - i) Goals for 2019?
  - j) Legislative updates (Ken)
  - k) Other business that may come before the commission
- 7) Announcements/correspondence
- 8) Other committees:
- a) Joint Committee with PB for wetland buffer ordinance
  - b) Lands Committee, Trails Committee, IRLAC, ORLAC,...
- 9) Easements:
- a) Dolmat? Pam has monitored the property and is in the process of writing up the report.
- 10) Next scheduled meeting: Feb 7

*Items remaining on agenda, but not expected to be discussed at this meeting:*

- a) Parking area for Barrington Trail (Seavey Bridge Rd.)
- b) Conservation Projects:
  - i) Beardon property, Young Rd. (Doug)
  - ii) Newsky property (map 266 lot 6), 30 acres, abuts SATWaSR to SW

**Pam Failing made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 9:00. Charlie Briggs seconded the motion, which passed unanimously with a vote of four (4) to zero (0) in favor.**

Respectfully submitted,  
Pat Lenzi