

Barrington Conservation Commission
February 21, 2019, 6:30 PM
Barrington Elementary School Conference Room, Route 125

PRESENT: John Wallace, Chair
Anne Melvin
Charlie Briggs
Pam Failing, Vice-chair
Marika Wilde, alternate

ABSENT Dan Ayer, Select Board liaison
Doug Bogen
Glenn Gould, alternate
Ken Grossman, alternate

CALL TO ORDER

Barrington Conservation Commission (BCC) Chair John Wallace called the meeting of February 21, 2019, to order at 6:30.

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

- 1) Sightings Sightings were a Barred Owl and weasel tracks.
- 2) Guests: Kyle Pimental, Marcia Moreno-Baez: next steps for NRI and Co-occurrence map Kyle and Marcia began their presentation by showing the Barrington co-occurrence map for 2010 as well as two for 2019, one weighted (a value ranking on natural resources) and one not. The CC expressed a preference for the weighted map. The group spent time reviewing the various natural resource datasets that could be on the map (soils, wildlife, water resource, etc.), and then giving a numerical weight to each dataset. John suggested climate change resiliency as a dataset that could be added, as well as data from Connect the Coast. The new co-occurrence map will allow for prioritizing land that could possibly be considered for conservation in the future. It was decided that the future mapping could show the datasets and scoring for just those parcels of land which are currently undeveloped. Kyle and Marcia will attend a future CC meeting for more review of the map showing the suggested changes/updates.
- 3) Complaints: none
- 4) Approval of minutes of Feb 7 **Anne Melvin made a motion to approve the minutes of February 7, 2019. Charlie Briggs seconded the motion, which passed unanimously with a vote of five (5) to zero (0) in favor.**
- 5) Old Business
 - a) Possible forest management plan on SATWaSR, with funding from the NRCS EQIP program
 - b) Goodwill Driveway/Parking area Pam suggested there should be an on site showing with the site staked in order to get reliable and fair bids, and this can be done in the spring. Pam will send John available drawings, plans, and notes so that he can send out a notification that there will be a showing and bidding.
 - c) Conservation Projects:
 - d) Update on Haley/Panish/Rubinstein project: There was a closing on the Rubinstein property, which is now owned by the town. John will write a thank you letter to the Rubenstein estate, which sold the property to the town for \$1..

- e) Conservation Commission officers Charlie suggested that there could be more sharing of jobs so that the Chairperson does not get overwhelmed. Another suggestion is to have the ability to use the internet and technology for sharing information (e.g. site plans) with the entire group.
- 6) New Business:
 - a) PB: Change of use permit, O'Lone, Route 126 (Judge Hale Farm) This can be reviewed at the next meeting.
 - b) Con Com booth for election day? A sign up sheet for coverage will be started.
 - c) ZBA:
 - d) DES:
 - e) Treasurer's report (Pam)
 - f) Goals for 2019:
 - i) trails booklet
 - ii) meet with Lakes Associations
 - iii) make Natural Resources Inventory more accessible
 - iv) town representative to Lamprey River LAC
 - v) Wetland buffer ordinance
 - g) Legislative updates - NHACC
 - h) Other business that may come before the commission
- 7) Announcements/correspondence
 - a) Saving Special Places conference, April 6
- 8) Other committees:
 - a) Joint Committee with PB for wetland buffer ordinance
 - b) Lands Committee, Trails Committee, IRLAC, ORLAC,...
- 9) Easements:
 - a) Dolmat?
- 10) Next scheduled meeting: March 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

Anne Melvin made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 9:15. Marika Wilde seconded the motion, which passed unanimously with a vote of four (4) to zero (0) in favor.

Respectfully submitted,
Pat Lenzi