

Barrington Conservation Commission
March 10, 2022 7:00 p.m.
IN PERSON LOCATION: Early Childhood Learning Center
77 Ramsdell Lane
Barrington, NH 03825

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MEMBERS PRESENT

Ken Grossman, Chairman
Doug Bogen, Vice Chair
Jack Gale
Dan Cassidy
Anne Melvin, alternate (via zoom)
Gary Imbrie, alternate

ABSENT

Charlie Tatham, alternate
Jenny Stuart, alternate
Dan Ayer, Select Board liaison

Call to order Barrington Conservation Commission (BCC) Chair Ken Grossman called the meeting of March 10, 2022 to order at 7:02.

Delegation of voting members Chair Ken Grossman confirmed the presence of members as above, with Anne serving as a voting member.

Approval of the February 10, 2022 minutes The minutes of February 10, 2022 were approved as read.

Guests: Scott Heron to observe

Treasurer's Report (Jack Gale)

31 Jan balance.	\$107,850.58
Deposit, LU tax.	+\$10,000.00
Interest.	+\$9.63
Balance.	\$117,860.21

NEW BUSINESS/OLD BUSINESS

- Conserving land proposal (Fred Knecht 174 Pond Hill Road) Ken was able to discuss with Mr. Knecht the possibility conserving approximately 40 acres. Mr. Knecht indicated that he would tentatively like to donate the easement on the land, but he needs to know more about the costs associated with the donation. He would prefer that initially there not be public access. Ken has been in contact with Duane Hyde (SELT) to determine if SELT would be interested in holding the easement, and Ken is waiting to hear back from Duane.
- Election of officers Jack Gale stated that he would like to continue as treasurer and Doug

indicated he would like to continue serving as vice chair. Ken will continue as chair for the present time, but he stated that within the year he could decide to step down. **Dan Cassidy made a motion to nominate the slate of candidates as indicated above. Anne Melvin seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously (5-0) by roll call vote. Grossman – yes, Bogen – yes, Gale – yes, Cassidy -yes, Melvin – yes.**

- New members Ken has requested reappointment to the CC for 3 more years. Jenny Stuart will be requesting an appointment as a full member, and Scott Heron is hoping to become an alternate member.
- Goals for 2022

Master Plan, Chapter 4 Jack noted that the Master Plan, Chapter 4 (land use) is up for review, and he suggested that CC members read the chapter so that the CC could have input into the discussion and revisions. Ken mentioned that any changes should incorporate planning for climate change and resiliency.

Wetlands and buffers Ken will find out when the PB would be available to meet with the CC to discuss revising the wetland buffer delineations.

Public Education Ken spoke to the opportunity to have speakers come for public talks. In the past such presentations, given at the library, have been well received.

Bridges to all boards Discussions with all town boards was mentioned as a goal.

- Tricentennial celebration Jack brought up the possibility of CC participation in the tricentennial celebration.
- By-laws and MoA Ken is hoping to have the CC meet with the SB within the next few months to review the MoA.
- Letter to the Governor Ken wrote a letter to the governor regarding HB 307. This bill would prevent any town or municipality from enacting restrictions on gun use on town property. In his letter Ken mentioned concerns for the safety of both people and wildlife and issues with soil contamination from target shooting.
- DES grant for Goodwill Doug stated that grant approval is moving forward, and Conner has the documents to sign. Doug anticipates that the grant will be for approximately \$166,000, but it could be several months before the money is available. Dan Cassidy is willing to look into the possibility of obtaining grant money to go toward the Richardson Pond dam repair.
- Website backup There is a \$95.40 bill from Jetpack for backup to the CC website. **Jack Gale made a motion to pay \$95.40 for the website's JetPack Backup. Dan Cassidy seconded the motion, which passed unanimously with a vote of five (5) to zero (0) in favor.**

CASES BEFORE THE PLANNING BOARD

No new cases

Public Concerns

ANY OTHER BUSINESS THAT MAY PROPERLY COME BEFORE THE COMMISSION

COMMITTEE REPORTS

- A)Lands Committee, Trails Committee, Lake Associations Anne brought to the group's attention that there is a need for repair to the gate at Tibbets Road east end. (SATWaSR) Ken will check with Charlie Tatham on this and also contact Marc Moreau see if the town highway dept. could do the repair.
- B)Isinglass River, Oyster River and Lamprey River Local Advisory Committees.

Sightings mentioned were woodpeckers, including a pileated. Also mentioned was an owl, many goldfinch, and an abundance of deer.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:30.

Respectfully submitted,
Pat Lenzi