

Barrington Conservation Commission
September 8, 2022 6:30 p.m. NOTE NEW START TIME
IN PERSON LOCATION: Town of Barrington (NEW TOWN HALL)
4 Signature Drive (1/4 mile North of the Old Town Hall)
Barrington, NH 03825

Ken Grossman is inviting you to a scheduled Zoom meeting.

Join Zoom Meeting

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Meeting ID: 824 2463 5185

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MEMBERS PRESENT

Ken Grossman, Chairman
Doug Bogen, Vice Chair
Dan Cassidy
Anne Melvin, alternate
Rob Gibson, Selectboard liaison
Gary Imbrie, alternate

ABSENT

Jack Gale, Treasurer
Scott Heron, alternate
Jenny Stuart
Charlie Tatham, alternate

Call to order Barrington Conservation Commission (BCC) Chair Ken Grossman called the meeting of September 8, 2022 to order at 6:33.

Delegation of voting members Chair Ken Grossman confirmed the presence of members as above with Gary and Anne serving as voting members.

Guests: Paul Panish to observe

Minutes review and approval

The minutes of August 11, 2022 were accepted as read.

Treasurer's Report (Jack Gale)

State deposit of \$166,412.50 (Goodwill Grant)
Interest of \$229.87
Balance \$360,754.57

NEW BUSINESS/OLD BUSINESS

- Landry/Mt. Misery Project Contribution (SELT) **Gary Imbrie made a motion to expend \$100,000 (to SELT) to go toward the purchase of the Landry property. Anne Melvin seconded the motion, which passed unanimously with a vote of five (5) to zero (0) in favor.**
- Richardson Dam Budget Ken met with Conner MacIver and SB Chair Dan Mannschreck to discuss ways to finance the Richardson Dam repairs. Conner suggested having the town's engineering firm give a new cost estimate and a more detailed plan; this would build on the plan already submitted. Following discussion it was proposed that the town contribute approximately \$200,000 toward the repairs and the CC put in \$100,000 (on top of the \$50,000 approved below for the engineering plan). The consensus of CC members was that Ken should continue discussions with the SB and Conner regarding dam expenditures. The SB would like to make a decision in October so that a warrant article can be voted on in March 2023.
- Engineering for Richardson Dam **Doug Bogen made a motion to expend an amount not to exceed \$50,000 for an engineering study of the Richardson dam. Gary Imbrie seconded the motion, which passed unanimously five (5) to zero (0) with a roll call vote. Grossman – aye, Bogen – aye, Cassidy – aye, Ibrie – aye, Melvin – aye.**
- Capital Improvements Members discussed possible projects for consideration under capital improvement. Ken will submit the following for consideration: the full cost of the Richardson Dam project; an assessment of current and potential new conserved areas with projected costs for improvements and maintenance of the areas; hiring of a person to work in the planning office (possibly part time) to give support to the CC and coordinate between the planning office and CC.
- Wetland Buffer Ordinance Ken will attend the next PB meeting (Sept. 20) to suggest forming a joint committee to develop a function based wetland ordinance. Ken suggested having a consultant join this committee, and soil scientist Marc Jacobs has expressed an interest in consulting with the group. Anne mentioned that the prime wetlands map may need to be redone. There will be more discussion of this at a future meeting.
- Master Plan
- Monitoring Gary will coordinate with others to monitor the Boradovchuk and Newhall easements. Dan has completed monitoring the other easements which are done on a yearly basis.

CASES BEFORE THE PLANNING BOARD

239-35-V-22-Design (Owner: Paul Guptill) There will be a site walk on Sept. 12. Doug, Anne, Gary and Dan plan to participate.

234-77-TC-22-SR (Owners: Paul & Linda Thibodeau Revocable Trust) There will be a site walk on Sept. 21. Ken and Doug plan to participate.

Public Concerns

ANY OTHER BUSINESS THAT MAY PROPERLY COME BEFORE THE COMMISSION

- A. Lands Committee, Trails Committee, Lake Associations
- B. Isinglass River, Oyster River and Lamprey River Local Advisory Committees.

Sightings included a woodchuck, woodpeckers, deer eating apples, and a Monarch butterfly emerging from a chrysalis. There was a positive comment about the new signs, courtesy of the middle school shop class, seen on the Calef East trail.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:00.

Respectfully submitted,
Pat Lenzi

