

**Barrington Conservation Commission**  
**August 10th, 2023, 7:00 p.m.**

IN PERSON LOCATION: Town of Barrington (NEW TOWN HALL) 4 Signature Drive (1/4-mile North of the Old Town Hall) Barrington, NH 03825

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**Barrington Conservation Commission Meeting – Virtual Access**

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**MEMBERS PRESENT**

Doug Bogen, Chair  
Ken Grossman  
Paul Panish  
Gary Imbrie  
Rob Gibson, Selectboard liaison  
Anne Melvin, alternate

**ABSENT**

Jack Gale, Vice Chair/Treasurer  
Scott Heron, alternate  
Dan Cassidy, alternate  
Charlie Tatham, alternate  
Jenny Stuart, alternate

**Call to order** Barrington Conservation Commission (BCC) Chair Doug Bogen called the meeting of August 10, 2023 to order at 7:01.

**Delegation of voting members** Chair Doug Bogen confirmed the presence of members as above, with Anne serving as a voting member.

**Minutes review and approval** The minutes of July 13, 2023 were approved as read.

**Treasurer's Report** (Jack Gale)

Interest was \$1229.69. QTR 2 LUCT deposit of \$90,326.25 and a balance of \$544,161.80.

**NEW BUSINESS/OLD BUSINESS**

- Capital Improvements Projects priorities for 2024-2034 There was discussion to prioritize the four Capital Improvement Projects chosen by the CC. Completing the Richardson Dam project was chosen as top priority, followed by a comprehensive conservation management/maintenance plan, administrative support for conservation planning, and purchase of development rights (gaining easements) as the last item. These items can be reviewed yearly.
- Wetland buffer project Ken and Paul reviewed the results of the meeting with the SB regarding the trial run of the wetland guideline as developed by Marc Jacobs. Paul stated that there was agreement that the 100 ft setbacks on prime wetlands would not be

affected. Monitoring of the projects was seen as a potential problem, and therefore it was not added to the guideline. The general feeling seemed to be that use of the tool as presented could be a burden to the applicant. Ken proposed that the CC take on the use of the tool in order to provide advice to the PB, noting that training would be required. Members were in agreement with this proposal. There will be another meeting to further refine the guideline.

- Disc Golf Course proposal for Turbocam easement This was approved by the CC 7/13/23.
- Monitoring Gary stated that monitoring will start on September 7<sup>th</sup> and be every Thursday through Nov. 2. SATWaSR will be monitored on Aug. 16 by SPNHF for interested folks. LCHIP will be monitoring Brazen Hill and Schultz on Aug. 15. Gary will look into getting a new app to help with monitoring.
- Young Road project
- Guptill/Mallego Road Development The town engineer is reviewing the plans for the retention pond and trail layout.
- Ridge at Green Hill easement concerns Gary expressed concerns with how the conserved land was laid out and wondered if in the future the CC could be more involved with what land is conserved. Vanessa will have the town engineer look into any possible easement violations at the Ridge at Green Hill, and she suggested that John Huckins could be the one to monitor easement projects.
- Richardson Pond Study Ken will contact Conner for an update on the Richardson Dam. It was mentioned that DES might find funding to breach the dam, but there would be little or no funding/grants for dam repair.
- Purchase of lots 248-0001 and 248-0002 to expand Town Forest Paul suggested coming up with a figure that the CC would be willing to pay and then hope for a response from the owners. Plans will be made for a future property walk with the Towns Land Committee.

## **CASES BEFORE THE PLANNING BOARD**

No new cases until August 16, 2023

### **Public Concerns**

ANY OTHER BUSINESS THAT MAY PROPERLY COME BEFORE THE COMMISSION

### **COMMITTEE REPORTS**

A. Lands Committee, Trails Committee, Lake Associations

B. Isinglass River, Oyster River and Lamprey River Local Advisory Committees.

Included in **sightings** were a blandings turtle, butterflies (including a few monarchs), and an unverified report of a mountain lion on Hall Road.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:49.

Respectfully submitted,

Pat Lenzi

