

Barrington Conservation Commission Agenda

October 17, 2019 6:30 PM

Barrington Elementary School

570 Calef Highway

Barrington, NH 03825

PRESENT

Ken Grossman, Chairman
John Wallace, alternate
Marika Wilde, alternate
Doug Bogen
Charlie Briggs
Dan Ayer, Select Board liaison

ABSENT

Anne Melvin
Pam Failing, Vice-chair
Glenn Gould, alternate

CALL TO ORDER

Barrington Conservation Commission (BCC) Chairman Ken Grossman called the meeting of October 17, 2019 to order at 6:30.

DELEGATION OF VOTING MEMBERS Chair Ken Grossman confirmed the presence of members as above.

Guests: Tod Hebert -Liberty Lane
Bruce Scamman-Turbocam-

Sightings: Mentioned were ladybugs, a flicker, a close encounter with a beaver, ticks, a bald eagle, a dead deer (later consumed), and hibernating bats in the house.

Approval of minutes for October 3, 2019 **Charlie Briggs made a motion to approve the minutes of October 3, 2019. John Wallace seconded the motion, which passed unanimously with a vote of five (5) to zero (0) in favor.**

Treasurer's Report (Anne) (only available balance for Conservation Commission use)

Guests:

- **Tod Hebert and Kerry Fogarty (Liberty Lane)** The owners at Liberty Lane are requesting approval of a forest management plan for their property which is part of the conservation easement on Nippo. The CC would like to review the plan and, if needed, do a site walk before approval. The Tod and Kerry agreed to come to the November 7 meeting, and prior to this the members will review the plan.
- **Turbocam** Bruce D. Scamman, (Emanuel Engineering), Luke Hurley (Gove Environmental) soil scientist, and Elliot Wilkins, all representing Turbocam. Mr.

Scamman briefly reviewed the previous plans for a building construction off Route 9. Those plans involved wetland buffer impacts, and Mr. Scammon pointed out that the new plan presented has no pavement or building in the buffer. Most of the pavement would be porous, and this would have regular maintenance. Roof runoff would be treated with a stone and sand filter. An alteration of terrain permit has been submitted to the state. The CC expressed its pleasure with the redesign and Turbocam's willingness to take suggestions. Ken will note on the routing slip to the PB that the CC is fine with the plan as presented.

Old Business /New Business

- **Richardson Dam** John spoke with Conner about the responsibility for the dam and its repairs. Dan stated that the Town Lands Committee is willing to work on the design for the dam's repair, and the TLC will be in touch with the CC and other town agencies regarding this project. The CC indicated this is a positive move.
- **Co-occurrence map** The Strafford Regional Planning Committee requested final approval for the co-occurrence mapping. Charlie commented that he was very pleased with the final product and feels that the map(s) provides a valuable tool for planning. John stated that it will be available online and a printed copy will be in the town clerk's office. **Ken Grossman made a motion to approve the co-occurrence map. Charlie Briggs seconded the motion, which passed unanimously with a vote of five (5) to zero (0) in favor.**
- **Goodwill Parking** Brown Industrial hit ledge when constructing the new parking area and requested payment of \$1800.00 to cover this added expense. **Doug Bogen made a motion to approve \$1800.00 from the Conservation Fund to Brown Industrial, in addition to the prior amount approved (\$29,213), to complete the project. John Wallace seconded the motion, which passed unanimously with a vote of five (5) to zero (0) in favor.** Dan offered to move some boulders to block the old entrance.
- Ken will ask Barbara if there is protected shoreline on the two **intent to cut permits** received. There is a form letter to send to a landowner and logger if there is protected shoreline or prime wetland.
- **Dues of \$450.00 to the NH Conservation Commission. John Wallace made a motion to expend \$450.00 from the 2020 budget to renew membership in NHCC, assuming the budget is approved. Charlie Briggs seconded the motion, which passed unanimously with a vote of five (5) to zero (0) in favor.** John noted that this can't get paid until after the town meeting in March.
- Requisition for a work agreement for \$2,910 for the development of a **forest management plan for Goodwill** and \$1,250 for the development of a management plan for the **Town Forest**. The plan would include the Goodwill Amendment easement. There was a question as to whether the town or CC would be responsible for the Town Forest. It was mentioned that the CC will need to have direct input into the plan, and the group would like to have more information before committing money. There was a request to have someone (Mr. Nolan, Conner, or Brian Lenzi) come to the November 7 meeting to review the process.

- **Memo from Peter Rowell and Lauren Chase-Rowell to review** regarding possible land conservation. Ken is waiting to hear from Peter.
- **Seavey Bridge Parking area to access Barrington trail.** Conner and John put together a design/build RFP. John shared what the criteria are, and he will be sending this to SELT and the home owners for review. John and Pam will be staking out the area to include 5 parking spaces **John Wallace made a motion to send out the design/build RFP for the parking area for the Barrington Trail on the former Barr property on Seavey Bridge Road, conditional upon approval by SELT. Marika Wilde seconded the motion, which passed unanimously with a vote of five (5) to zero (0) in favor.**
- **Pollinator Pathways** is a program that encourages community members to plant native species to support pollinators. John will contact Jenny Stuart as a possible person to lead this program in town. Doug will make contact with the Barrington Bloomers.
- It was brought up that there should be an established timeline for the succession cutting of habitat for the **Cottontail Rabbit (SATWaSR)**. Dan will check to see if this could be part of the forestry management plan for SATWaSR. It was noted that NRCS could help pay for this.

PB:

ZBA:

DES:

Select Board representative comments and concerns

Committee Reports

Joint Committee with PB for wetland buffer ordinance, Lands Committee, Trails Committee, Islinglass River Local Advisory Committee (IRLAC, Oyster River Local Advisory Committee (ORLAC), Lamprey River LAC

Ongoing projects for 2019 (reports by designated committee member for each item)

Trails Booklet, Meeting with Lakes Association, Natural Resource Inventory accessibility, Easements (Dolmat)

Other projects – parking area for Barrington Trail (Seavey Bridge Rd), forest management for SATWaSR, Conservation projects at Beardon property, Young Rd (Doug), Newsky property (map 266 lot 6, 30 acres, abuts SATWASR to SW

Easements: John monitored the middle school easement and mentioned that an old culvert should be removed.

Doug Bogen made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:55. Charlie Briggs seconded the motion, which passed unanimously with a vote of five (5) to zero (0) in favor.

Respectfully submitted,
Pat Lenzi