

Barrington Conservation Commission
February 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 (via Microsoft Teams))
Doug Bogen, Vice Chair
Jack Gale
Dan Cassidy
Dan Ayer, Select Board liaison
Gary Imbrie, alternate

ABSENT

Charlie Tatham, alternate
Anne Melvin, alternate
Jenny Stuart, alternate

Call to order Barrington Conservation Commission (BCC) Vice Chair Doug Bogen called the meeting of February 10, 2022 to order at 7:10.

Delegation of voting members Doug Bogen confirmed the presence of members as above.

Approval of the January 27, 2022 minutes The minutes of January 27, 2022 were approved as amended.

Guests: Fred Knecht, Joyce Cappiello to observe, Scott Heron (via Microsoft) to observe

Treasurer's Report (Jack Gale)

January had no expenditures from the Fund. Peter Royce deposited \$22,500 from LUCT, and interest was \$8.24.

Balance is \$107,850.58.

NEW BUSINESS/OLD BUSINESS

- **Proposed easement** Fred Knecht (174 Pond Hill Road) explained that he has approximately 43.3 acres in current use (Map 207 lot 26) which he would like to put into easement. Ken and Doug explained the options for easements, and Mr. Knecht indicated that he would tentatively be interested in retaining ownership and donating the easement. On the cooccurrence map this parcel shows a preferable conservation value. Ken suggested a site walk in the spring and seeking input from SELT for guidance going forward.
- **By-Laws and MoA** **Dan Cassidy made a motion to accept the revised by-laws and MoA as written. Dan Ayer seconded the motion, which passed unanimously five (5) to zero (0) by roll call vote. Grossman – aye, Bogen – aye, Cassidy – aye, Gale – aye, Ayer – aye.**

- CC 2022 members and officers Dan Ayer will request to renew his membership as an alternate, and Jenny will request to renew membership as a full member. Ken will request to renew his membership as a full member, but would prefer to step down as Chairman.
- Ridges at Greenhill update Documents for this project have been signed. It was mentioned that the CC will be responsible for monitoring, and Ken noted that trails are to be made. It is anticipated that \$10,000, a donation from the developer, will be coming in and is designated for the stewardship fund.
- Goodwill Groundwater Trust Fund Grant Doug has been in touch with DES for an update. He reported that approximately \$166,000 is anticipated from the grant.
- Joyce Cappiello, a candidate for Select Board, introduced herself to the group and spoke of her interest in the work of the CC.
- HB 307 relating to gun use on town property This bill would prevent any town or municipality from enacting restrictions on gun use on town property. The NH Association of Conservation Commissions has come out against this legislation, and BCC members also expressed concerns with this bill. Ken will write a memo to the Governor outlining BCC concerns with the bill, and the memo can be reviewed and accepted at the next CC meeting.

CASES BEFORE THE PLANNING BOARD

204-12&13-GR-22-LL-Berry Lot Line Revision- simple lot line adjustments The CC reviewed the plans and had no comment.

234-77-TC-22-Design (Owners: Paul & Linda Thibodeau) CC members noted significant impacts to the buffer in the plans as presented. Dan Cassidy will write a note to the PB (via Barbara) to encourage that all buffer setbacks be met.

Public Concerns

ANY OTHER BUSINESS THAT MAY PROPERLY COME BEFORE THE COMMISSION

COMMITTEE REPORTS

A)Lands Committee, Trails Committee, Lake Associations

Jack reported that new signage for Brazen Hill is being made by students at the middle school.

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

Sightings included (many) deer, a deer bedding area, bird hawks (Sharp-shinned, Coopers), a mink, and a beaver.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:19.

Respectfully submitted,
Pat Lenzi