

## **Barrington Conservation Commission**

October 19, 2017 6:30 PM

Barrington Elementary School Conference Room, Route 125

**PRESENT:** John Wallace, Chair  
Pam Failing, Vice-chair  
Anne Melvin  
Marika Wilde

**ABSENT:** Glenn Gould, alternate  
Ken Grossman  
Doug Bogen, alternate  
Dan Ayer, Selectmen liaison

### **CALL TO ORDER**

Barrington Conservation Commission (BCC) Chair John Wallace called the meeting of October 19, 2017 to order at 6:30.

**DELEGATION OF VOTING MEMBERS** Chair John Wallace confirmed the presence of members as above.

- 1) Sightings Reported were dead snakes, a cormorant, herons, and deer.
- 2) Guests: none
- 3) Complaints: none
- 4) Approval of minutes of August 3, October 5 **Anne Melvin made a motion to approve the minutes of August 3, 2017. Pam Failing seconded the motion, which passed with a vote of three (3) to zero (0) in favor. John Wallace abstained from voting. Marika Wilde made a motion to approve the minutes of October 5, 2017. Pam Failing seconded the motion, which passed unanimously with a vote of four (4) to zero (0) in favor.**
- 5) Old Business
  - a) Conservation Projects:
    - i) Calef Isinglass River Preserve: Parking area – new plan This plan will go to the PB for consideration.
      - (1) Wetlands were checked by CWS Marc Jacobs
      - (2) Letter to Marc thanking him for donating his work **Marika Wilde made a motion to have John write a thank you letter to Marc Jacobs acknowledging his donation of services in the amount of \$443.55. Anne Melvin seconded the motion, which passed unanimously with a vote of four (4) to zero (0) in favor.**

- ii) Wilson property on Mendums Pond: appraisal and application to GBRPP
  - b) Template for reports on town-owned conservation lands John suggested members start logging bullet points on assigned properties in order to have them incorporated into short paragraphs for an end of year report. Anne will come up with a list of possible bullet points to be addressed.
  - c) Warrant article: add town-owned properties to Stonehouse Forest project There was discussion about the possibility of having the warrant article be worded such that the properties would revert to SELT within a determined (suggested two year) time frame, and the town would have the option of logging the properties within this time frame. John will talk with SELT about this as an alternative way to deal with the properties.
  - d) Goals for 2017 – revisit or abandon for this year? These will be revisited as possible goals for 2018. Regarding the goal of volunteer land stewards, Pam mentioned the possibility of having the Scouts serve in this capacity.
- 6) New Business:
- a) Planning Board:
  - b) Shoreland application: Perkins, Peabody Way The CC had no comments or recommendations on this.
  - c) Terms expiring:
    - i) Three for 3 year term Anne Melvin will apply for another term. Marika Wilde would like to serve as an alternate. Doug Bogen is listed as a full member and is also up for reappointment
    - ii) One for 3 year term alternate Glenn Gould is up for reappointment.
  - d) Signage/parking on Seavey Bridge Rd for Barrington Trail There is a need for more signage at the bottom of Seavey Bridge Rd. to encourage parking at the trail head as opposed to parking near the house. Anne brought up the need for no parking dusk to dawn signs at SATWaSR and Goodwill. John will check with the Police Dept. on this.
  - e) Treasurer's report (Pam) Pam will check to see that the \$14,243 mentioned below is in the BCC fund.
  - f) Legislative updates (Ken)
  - g) Other business that may come before the commission
- 7) Announcements/correspondence:
- a) \$14,243 received from GBRPP for Barr
  - b) NHACC meeting Nov 4
  - c) NHACC dues: \$375 comes out of annual budget **Anne Melvin made a motion to pay the \$375 NHACC dues when the annual (land use) budget is approved. Pam Failing seconded the motion, which passed unanimously with a vote of four (4) to zero (0) in favor.**
- 8) Other committees: Trails Committee, IRLAC, ORLAC,...
- 9) Easements: Wallace/Benting, Littlefield/Thyng, Boodey monitored

10) Next scheduled meeting: November 2

*Items remaining on agenda, but not expected to be discussed at this meeting:*

- a) Conservation Projects:
  - i) Stonehouse Forest
  - ii) Diberto properties: Tax map 213 lots 6 & 24 46 acres on Long Pond (Sloper Rd access)
  - iii) Newsky property (map 266 lot 6), 30 acres, abuts SATWaSR to SW
  - iv) Haley properties: tax map 240 lot 7 and map 249 lot 18
  - v) Rubenstein Estate property, 37 acres off of Richardson Dr.
- b) Goodwill (Rte 9) Driveway needs to be moved 33' further west
- c) Goals for 2017
  - i) volunteer land stewards
  - ii) conservation education for the public (Ken)
  - iii) communication among town boards (Ken)
  - iv) trails booklet (John)
  - v) update Town Forest management plan (Ken)
  - vi) make Natural Resources Inventory more accessible (John)
  - vii) establish ties with Lakes Associations
  - viii) town representative to Lamprey River LAC
- d) March 1, 2018: BES unavailable

**Anne Melvin made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:45. Pam Failing seconded the motion, which passed unanimously with a vote of four (4) to zero (0) in favor.**

Respectfully submitted,  
Pat Lenzi

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