

**Barrington Conservation Commission
December 17, 2020 7:00 PM**

Ken Grossman as Chair of the Barrington Conservation Commission, due to the COVID-19/Coronavirus crisis and in accordance with Governor Sununu's Emergency Order #12 pursuant to Executive Order 2020-04, this commission is authorized to meet electronically.

Please note that there is no physical location to observe and listen contemporaneously to the meeting, which was authorized pursuant to the Governor's Emergency Order. However, in accordance with the Emergency Order, this is to confirm that we are *providing public access to the meeting by telephone, with additional access possibilities by video or other electronic means:*

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We are utilizing the Zoom platform for this electronic meeting. All members of the commission have the ability to communicate contemporaneously during this meeting through the Zoom platform, and the public has access to contemporaneously listen and participate in this meeting as well.

For further security there will be a "waiting room" allow the chair to control entry.

MEMBERS PRESENT

Ken Grossman, Chairman
Charlie Briggs
Doug Bogen, Vice Chair
Anne Melvin, alternate
Dan (Cass) Cassidy
Jack Gale, alternate
John Wallace, alternate

ABSENT

Glenn Gould, alternate
Dan Ayer, Select Board liaison
Jenny Stuart, alternate

CALL TO ORDER Barrington Conservation Commission (BCC) Ken Grossman called the meeting of December 17, 2020 to order at 7:07.

DELEGATION OF VOTING MEMBERS Ken Grossman confirmed the presence of members as above with John serving as a voting member.

Approval of the December 3, 2020 meeting minutes Charlie Briggs made a motion to approve the minutes of December 3, 2020 as amended. Doug Bogen seconded the motion, which passed unanimously with a vote of five (5) to zero (0) in favor.

Treasurer's Report Charlie reported a balance of \$18,847.35 on December 15. Expenses and appropriations were as follows: \$10,000.00 (dam survey), \$500.00 (Panish survey), \$1,176.50 (Panish closing), \$1,157.20 (booklet printing), \$2,000.00 (website). Total expenses were \$14,833.70 Income from sale of trail booklets was \$2,403.01. The available balance remaining in the Conservation Fund is \$6,416.66. **Jack Gale made a motion to approve the treasurer's report. Doug Bogen seconded the motion, which passed unanimously with a vote of five (5) to zero (0) in favor.**

NEW BUSINESS/OLD BUSINESS

- Closing Costs for Panish Easement **Charlie Briggs made a motion to appropriate an amount not to exceed \$1,300.00 for closing costs on the Panish easement. Doug Bogen seconded the motion, which passed unanimously with a vote of five (5) to zero (0) in favor.**
- Easement Monitoring Plan Jack documented the Newhall walk and with input from others will be finalizing the monitoring report. Charlie suggested it would be helpful to have easement GIS data available for those doing monitoring. John said that most of the monitoring information should be in a town archive, and Jack mentioned it could be set up on a Google Drive location so that it would be accessible.
- Leighton Forest Easement The CC will not pursue the town holding an easement on Leighton Forest.
- Emergency Vehicle Rick Walker would like to propose to the town that the town buy an emergency vehicle capable of going into the woods. He indicated that the Fire Association would make a contribution toward this, and he was hopeful that the CC would make a contribution also. Ken informed Rick that funds are not available at this time.
- Eversource has informed the CC that it will be going into SATWaSR for line maintenance.
- Website Glenn and Jack will be meeting with Marsha Hatch.
- Richardson Dam
- Trails Booklet John suggested another printing of booklets. **Charlie Briggs made a motion to print 200 books at a cost not to exceed \$1,200.00. Doug Bogen seconded the motion, which passed unanimously with a vote of five (5) to zero (0) in favor. Jack Gale voted in place of John Wallace.**
- Town owned property The CC was made aware of a town owned property near the Town Forest that could come up for sale.
- Nitrate zones In relation to the proposed development **PB- 238-36-V-20-SR (Owner: Waldron B. Haley Revocable Trust)**, the CC was informed of a state requirement that on large septic systems nitrate has to be reduced before it crosses property lines. A map was shared to show the septic nitrate setback.

Public Concerns

SELECT BOARD REPRESENTATIVE COMMENTS AND CONCERNS

COMMITTEE REPORTS

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

ONGOING PROJECTS FOR 2020

- A) Meeting with Lakes Associations
- B) Natural Resource Inventory accessibility
- C) Easements (Dolmat)

OTHER PROJECTS

forest management for SATWaSR

DATES TO REMEMBER Starting in January CC meetings will be held on the 2nd and 4th Thursdays of each month.

Sightings mentioned were a pair of cardinals, a hawk, beaver activity on Scruton Pond, and the return of a bear.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:05.

Respectfully submitted,

Pat Lenzi