

Barrington Conservation Commission
January 14, 2021 7:00 p.m.

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
Dan Ayer, Select Board liaison
Dan (Cass) Cassidy
Jack Gale, alternate
Jenny Stuart, alternate

ABSENT

Glenn Gould, alternate
Anne Melvin, alternate

CALL TO ORDER Barrington Conservation Commission (BCC) Ken Grossman called the meeting of January 14, 2021 to order at 7:03.

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

Guests: John Wallace

Approval of the December 17, 2020 meeting minutes Charlie Briggs made a motion to approve the minutes of December 17, 2020. Dan Ayer seconded the motion, which passed unanimously with a vote of five (5) to zero (0) in favor.

Treasurer's Report (Charlie Briggs) Charlie presented as follows:

26 December	\$12,953.06 Balance
	\$ 1,702.70 Remaining Richardson Dam Engineering
	\$ 2,314.40 Trail Booklets (inv. 119117&119067)
	\$2,000.00 Website
	\$2,653.57 SATWaSR Stewardship
Sum	\$8,670.67
Unallocated Balance	\$4,282.39

Notes:

On 12/26, \$8,297.30 went to pay Richardson Dam invoices, leaving \$1,702.70 on the appropriation.

The two trail booklet invoices should be paid shortly.

We expect about \$200K from NHDES & Moose plate grants in the next few months, as Panish has finally closed...

John Wallace noted that approximately \$3,500 will be coming in from the Great Bay Resource Protection Partnership and \$20,000 from a Moose Plate grant.

Dan Ayer made a motion to allocate up to \$2,000 for the website. Cass Cassidy seconded the motion, which passed unanimously with a vote of five (5) to zero (0) in favor. (This is not a new appropriation, but rather affirms a previous motion in December 3, 2020 minutes.)

NEW BUSINESS/OLD BUSINESS

- John Wallace will be leading a girl scout moonlight hike on SATWaSR January 26th. There was discussion about plowing the parking area, and Conner MacIver reminded Ken that parking area plowing could be billable from the highway dept. Dan Ayer offered to plow for the 26th hike if it is not already cleared. Police need to be notified that parking after dusk will be allowed at SATWaSR for this activity.
- New Hampshire Association of Natural Resource Scientists membership was discussed. John suggested BCC members look at the NHANRS website to see if they would like BCC membership. Determination can be made at a future meeting.
- Panish Stewardship Fee (GBRPP grant reimbursement) **Dan Ayer made a motion to waive the Panish Easement stewardship fee. Charlie Briggs seconded the motion, which passed unanimously with a vote of five (5) to zero (0) in favor.**
- Duck Boxes/ Easement Infrastructure Resident Gary Imbrie (20 Mills Falls Road) would like to install duck boxes on his property, which is part of the Falls on the Isinglass Easement. **Charlie Briggs made a motion to note that the BCC looks favorably on duck boxes being installed on Mr. Imbrie's property and does not see this as an infraction of the easement. Dan Ayer seconded the motion, which passed unanimously with a vote of five (5) to zero (0) in favor.** Cass volunteered to help install the boxes, and Ken will contact John Huckins to see if further permitting is required.
- Posting parking affirm Dan reminded the group about the need for posting "No Parking Dusk to Dawn" signs at all conservation parking areas. John has contacted Charlie Tatham to affirm this as kiosks get installed at these areas.
- By-Laws Ken suggested that the CC might want to make changes to the by-laws. The by-laws will be reviewed at a future meeting.
- Goals for 2021 will be discussed at future meetings.
- Website Jack gave an update on future plans and improvements for the website and said that Marcia Hatch has developed a new look for the site with a pull-down menu. Ken will check to make sure the website hosting invoice for 2020 has been paid.
- Resident Traci Bisson would like to have someone speak to her dog walking group about the Conservation Commission and SELT. Jack has agreed to do this.
- New Schulz Preserve (Brewster Street) SELT is now the owner, and members can sign up for a February SELT tour of this property.
- Trail entrance at highway garage Dan explained that there will be construction going on behind the highway garage, and he suggested that the Trails Committee discontinue the trail entrance in this area.
- Turbocam Easement the Turbocam groundskeeper has been tasked with developing a management plan for the easement and requested input from conservation groups. It was decided that when the Turbocam plan is drafted it will get passed to Jenny Stuart for review and suggestions.
- Co-occurrence maps Dan said the Lands Use Committee will be looking at the co-occurrence maps as they assess lands for sale/auction. Cass has offered to coordinate the town owned lands with the co-occurrence map.
- Richardson Dam
- Trails Booklet
- Easement Monitoring Charlie Briggs and Dan Ayer completed the Dolmat monitoring.

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

OTHER PROJECTS

forest management for SATWaSR

DATES TO REMEMBER

Sightings mentioned were a bobcat, hawks, including a cooper's hawk, a bald eagle on Nippo, and a Carolina wren.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:21.

Respectfully submitted,
Pat Lenzi