# Barrington Conservation Commission May 27, 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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Topic: Conservation Commission

Time: May 27, 2021 07:00 PM Eastern Time (US and Canada)

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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

Doug Bogen, Vice Chair

Jack Gale, alternate

Dan Ayer, Select Board liaison

Dan Cassidy

Jenny Stuart, alternate

ABSENT Anne Melvin, alternate

Charlie Briggs

Glenn Gould, alternate

**CALL TO ORDER** Barrington Conservation Commission (BCC) Ken Grossman called the meeting of May 27, 2021 to order at 7:05.

**<u>DELEGATION OF VOTING MEMBERS</u>** Ken Grossman confirmed the presence of members as above, with Jack Gale serving as a voting member.

Approval of the May 13, 2021 meeting minutes Jack Gale made a motion to accept the minutes of May 13, 2021. Dan Cassidy seconded the motion, which passed unanimously with a vote of five (5) to zero (0) in favor.

**Treasurer's Report** (Charlie Briggs)

#### **NEW BUSINESS/OLD BUSINESS**

• <u>Vandalism at town forest</u> Graffiti was found at the Town Forest. The police were able to determine who the offender is, and it has been recommended by the police department that this person attend a court diversion

- program with the possibility of performing restitution. CC members expressed support for this, and Ken will have more discussion with Police Chief Joy.
- <u>Monitoring workshop</u> Doug, Jack, and Dan Cassidy attended the workshop presented by John Wallace; Dan reported that it provided a good overview of monitoring. Ken will try to get more information on the monitoring app. from NHSPF.
- A student at UNH would like to do a study on the age of rocks at Goodwill. BCC permission, as well as SELT permission, is needed to take rock samples. Doug Bogen made a motion that permission be given for taking rock samples, with the exception being from Winnie the Pooh's cave. Jack Gale seconded the motion, which passed unanimously with a vote of five (5) to zero (0) in favor.
- <u>Richardson Dam</u> Charlie Briggs would like to further investigate the possibility of breaching the Richardson Dam. Dan Ayer suggested that Charlie talk with Brian Lenzi and Doug Winter as they had recently done elevation shots at the dam. This will be discussed at the next June BCC meeting. Doug reported that he has not pursued the ARM grant proposal mainly because the input from Fish and Game was not encouraging.
- <u>Hemp vine</u> Jenny was in touch with the environmental consulting group engineer on the Seavey Road bridge project, and the engineer reported that three possible sites for relocation have been selected. The consulting firm will handle the move.
- Revision to Panish Easement Deed There are still some outstanding issues to be resolved. Ken suggested to Paul Panish that questions Paul might have be put to the town attorney to get perspective and clarification. Ken also suggested that Paul and Doug Bogen visit with Sandy Crystall at DES to understand the revisions DES is requesting. It was acknowledged that both Paul and the BCC might feel more legal advice is needed, and to that end Dan Ayer made a motion to approve up to \$1,000 (\$500.00 for BCC use of town attorney and \$500.00 for attorney of Paul Panish) toward possible legal expenses that could be incurred in closing the easement. Doug Bogen seconded the motion, which passed unanimously with a vote of five (5) to zero (0) in favor.
- Jack said the Trails Committee will be seeking approval from Rick Walker and Conner to lift the mask mandate on trails.

## NEW CASES BEFORE THE PLANNING BOARD ON June 15, 2021

270&273-2&3;49-GR-21PrelimReview (Owner: Anthony Serra) 11-Lot Conservation Subdivision with a 670' cul-desac\_There was discussion about the percentage of upland that should be conserved in a conservation subdivision. Other questions were if the Oyster River Advisory Committee should also be notified and how would the conserved land be held? Ken hopes to attend the PB meeting in June and will accept input from CC members before this meeting.

## **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 2021**

- A) Meeting with Lakes Associations
- **B**) Natural Resource Inventory accessibility

#### **OTHER PROJECTS**

forest management for SATWa0053R

#### **DATES TO REMEMBER**

**Sightings** included a hawk, water snakes, rose breasted grosbeaks, a bald eagle, turtles, and a snowshoe hare in summer color.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:00.

Respectfully submitted, Pat Lenzi