

Minutes

Barrington Conservation Commission

July 5, 2018 6:30 PM

American Legion, 731 Franklin Pierce HWY

NOTE DIFFERENT LOCATION, FOR SUMMER MEETINGS ONLY

PRESENT: John Wallace, Chair
Pam Failing, Vice-chair
Anne Melvin
Marika Wilde, alternate
Dan Ayer, Selectmen liaison

ABSENT: Doug Bogen
Ken Grossman, alternate
Glenn Gould, alternate

CALL TO ORDER

Barrington Conservation Commission (BCC) Chair John Wallace called the meeting of July 5, 2018 to order at 6:30.

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

- 1) Sightings A black bear (cooling off) at Swains Lake and those pesky woodchucks
- 2) Guests:
- 3) Complaints: Dan suggested that Eversource should gate/block access roads as people are using them to dispose of trash and carry on unwanted activity. The public use of access roads can also impact adjoining conservation lands. John will craft a letter to Eversource noting the problems with the open access and requesting that access roads be gated/blocked.
- 4) Approval of minutes of June 21 This was tabled until the next meeting.
- 5) Old Business
 - a) Calef Isinglass River Preserve: Parking area, Consider bids for tree removal Two bids were reviewed and the costs were comparable with both bids coming in at \$1500 for removal. It was decided to use New England Land and Tree Care from Madbury. **Marika Wilde made a motion to accept the bid from New England Land and Tree Care. Anne Melvin seconded the motion, which passed unanimously with a vote of four (4) to zero (0) in favor.** A neighbor to the Preserve asked Pam if they could push snow into the parking area. John will check with Peter Cook to see if the road and parking area will be plowed by the town, and John will see if Peter can make an arrangement with this neighbor. The CC received a bill (\$560) from Don Smith for chipping the rock with the total bill for the parking lot amounting to \$2435. **Anne Melvin made a motion to pay the bill from Don Smith. Pam Failing seconded the motion, which passed unanimously with a vote of four (4) to zero (0) in favor.**
 - b) Lakes committees: scheduled for July 19

- c) Goodwill (Rte 9) Driveway needs to be moved 33' further west. The group reviewed the Dubois and King engineered plan. Pam and Dan had questions about where the drainage would go. Also discussed was the possibility of putting in a swale to aim drainage to the vegetated area at northwest. It was agreed that more details are needed before the plan goes out to bid. John will send the initial plan from Dubois & King to the DOT for preliminary approval/comments, and he will get back to Jeff Adler (Dubois and King) with questions about the direction of the drainage and the possibility of a swale being put in.
- d) Conservation Projects:
 - i) Funding for Haley/Panish/Rubinstein project. This project is now eligible to apply for the NH Drinking Water and Groundwater Trust Fund money, and John will be applying for \$190,000. John would like to authorize up to \$50,000 for this project from the CC. It was decided to make a decision after review of the CC budget.
- 6) New Business:
 - a) Site walk for Hard Rock Excavation, July 10, 10:00 AM
 - b) PB:
 - c) ZBA:
 - d) DES:
 - e) Parking area for Barrington Trail (Seavey Bridge Rd.) There is a designated spot for the parking area right before the trail enters.
 - f) Treasurer's report (Pam)
 - g) Goals for 2018:
 - i) PR, education for the public: use of conservation fund money for PR consultant?
 - ii) trails booklet
 - iii) establish ties with Lakes Associations
 - iv) update Natural Resources Inventory, co-occurrence map
 - v) make Natural Resources Inventory more accessible
 - vi) town representative to Lamprey River LAC
 - vii) Wetland buffer ordinance
 - h) Legislative updates (Ken)
 - i) Expedited minimum impact review. Off Greenhill Road. This review is for a proposed driveway crossing off Greenhill Road. The CC studied the plan and determined it had no objection to the granting of the permit. However, it was noted that the delineated wetlands are not stamped by a certified wetland scientist, and the CC felt that it should not sign off on the permit due to that omission.
 - j) Other business that may come before the commission
 - a. Marika would like to donate a dry erase white board, easel, and two large flip pads to the town. The CC expressed thanks for this donation.
 - k) Announcements/correspondence:
 - l) Other committees:
 - a. Joint Committee with PB for wetland buffer ordinance
 - b. Lands Committee
 - c. Trails Committee, Lands Committee, IRLAC, ORLAC,...
 - m) Easements:
 - a. Village Place: about to be taken over by HOA
 - b. Dolmat monitored?
 - n) Next scheduled meeting: July 19

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

a. Conservation Projects:

- i. Schulz, tax map 224 lot 18, 45 acres, Brewster Rd.
- ii. Haley properties: tax map 240 lot 7 and map 249 lot 18:
- iii. Beardon property, Young Rd. (Doug)
- iv. Rubenstein Estate property, tax map 240 lot 6, 37 acres off of Richardson Dr.
- v. Newsky property (map 266 lot 6), 30 acres, abuts SATWaSR to SW

Marika Wilde made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:55. Anne Melvin seconded the motion, which passed unanimously with a vote of four (4) to zero (0) in favor.

Respectfully submitted,
Pat Lenzi