

MINUTES
Barrington Conservation Commission
June 18, 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:*

--by clicking on the following website address:

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or through dialing the following phone # +19292056099 Meeting ID: 879 0745 6923 and password 278544

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.

PRESENT	Ken Grossman, Chairman Charlie Briggs John Wallace, alternate Dan Ayer Doug Bogen
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ABSENT	Tom Smith Anne Melvin, alternate Glenn Gould, alternate
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CALL TO ORDER
Barrington Conservation Commission (BCC) Ken Grossman called the meeting of June 18, 2020 to order at 7:05.

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

Guests: Mark West, Environmental Consultant Re: Karen Gould ARM application

APPROVAL OF THE JUNE 4, 2020 MEETING MINUTES.

John Wallace made a motion to approve the minutes of June 4, 2020 as amended. Doug Bogen seconded the motion, which passed unanimously with a vote of five (5) to zero (0) in favor.

ACTION ITEMS

- a) Mark West, Environmental Consultant for Karen Gould. (tax map 261 lot 31, Mendums Pond) Mark explained that he is assisting Ms. Gould in her efforts to conserve approximately 131 acres through an ARM fund application. The pre-application process has been passed and now Karen is looking to make the full application, and this must be done through a land trust or government entity. At this time Ms. Gould is not asking for town funding, but is requesting that the town be the applicant. Dan mentioned that he feels a financial commitment from the town would be contingent on public access. There are not plans at this time to allow for public access, and ARM does not require this. It is possible that SELT, or the town, would be the easement holder. John noted that the CC is of the opinion that lack of public access would not be a deterrent to the town holding the easement. It was the consensus of the members to support the project and encourage the Select Board to approve the town being the applicant for ARM funding. John will write a memo to the SB stating this support.
- b) Election of Officers **Dan Ayer made a motion to elect Ken Grossman BCC Chair. Doug Bogen seconded the motion, which passed unanimously with a vote of five (5) to zero (0) in favor.**
Charlie Briggs made a motion to elect Doug Bogen Vice-Chair. Dan Ayer seconded the motion, which passed unanimously with a vote of five (5) to zero (0) in favor.
Ken Grossman made a motion to elect Charlie Briggs Treasurer. Dan Ayer seconded the motion, which passed unanimously with a vote of five (5) to zero (0) in favor.
- c) Ken asked about methods for storing information that comes through email/notifications. He'll work with Barbara about setting something up, either electronically or in a binder.
- d) Ken will check to see if NHACC dues have been paid for this year.
- e) Planning Board items.
 - i) **24 Greenhill Road and 0 Colonial Way** Lot line adjustment of Tax Map

220 Lots 27 and 29; convey 1.545 acres from lot 29 to 27.

The CC expressed no concerns with the lot line revision plans as presented. John brought up that it would be helpful to know the rational for the revision.

ii) 129 and 159 **Pond Hill Road** A lot line adjustment of tax map 207 lots 11 and 13; to convey 9.01 acres from lot 13 to 11. Members expressed concern that if development were to take place on lot 11 it looks like there could be wetland and/or wetland buffer violations. Charlie will write a memo to the PB expressing this concern.

Treasurer's Report

NEW BUSINESS/OLD BUSINESS

a) Update on Tree stands and GBRPP The SB approved the CC recommendations on the use of tree stands.

b) Update on Panish Easement and Goodwill Forestry Plan Conner, Paul Panish, and Tim Nolin have been conferring. Mr. Nolin will watch the lumber market and suggests not doing any work (access road, landing, etc.) until things are moving forward with implementing the forestry plan.

c) BCC Website Glenn Gould is working on this and getting assistance from the town tech committee. This will be covered at the July 16 meeting.

d) Easement monitoring John and Charlie found a potential problem on the Boodey easement with motorized access off the abutting land. Mr. Boodey is aware of this and looking into the issue.

e) Collaboration with Lands Com and UNH-cooperative extension on Rabbit habitats at Tamposi Ken talked with Brian Lenzi (Chair, Lands Committee), and Brian reported that UNH students will be unable to do the work as previously thought due to Covid restrictions.

Public Concerns DES is looking into a complaint about tree removal on Cottage Lane.

SELECT BOARD REPRESENTATIVE COMMENTS AND CONCERNS

COMMITTEE REPORTS

A) Lands Committee, Trails Committee

B) Isinglass River Local Advisory Committee (IRLAC, Oyster River Local Advisory Committee

C) (ORLAC), Lamprey River LAC

ONGOING PROJECTS FOR 2020

A) Trails Booklet

B) Meeting with Lakes Association

C) Natural Resource Inventory accessibility,

D) Easements (Dolmat)

OTHER PROJECTS

forest management for SATWaSR, Conservation projects at Beardon property, Young Rd (Doug)

DATES TO REMEMBER It is proposed that the CC meeting of July 2 be skipped, and the next meeting take place on July 16.

Easements:

Sightings included hawks and a hawk aerial display, a black bear swimming in Nippo, many turtles including snappers, a raccoon, a turkey that required assistance with the rescue of chicks, a yellow bellied sapsucker nest, and over a dozen eagles on the Merrimack.

Ken Grossman made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:09. Doug Bogen seconded the motion, which passed unanimously with a vote of five (5) to zero (0) in favor.