

Barrington Conservation Commission
March 1, 2018 5:30 PM
EARLY CHILDHOOD LEARNING CENTER
77 RAMSDELL LANE, BARRINGTON, NH

**NOTE: THESE ARE SUMMARY ACTION MINUTES ONLY. A COMPLETE COPY OF
THE MEETING AUDIO IS AVAILABLE AT THE LAND USE DEPARTMENT.**

PRESENT: John Wallace, Chair
 Anne Melvin
 Doug Bogen, alternate
 Dan Ayer, Selectmen liaison

ABSENT: Pam Failing, Vice-chair
 Marika Wilde
 Glenn Gould, alternate
 Ken Grossman

CALL TO ORDER

Barrington Conservation Commission (BCC) Chair John Wallace called the meeting of
March 1, 2018 to order at 5:30.

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

- 1) Sightings A flock of bluebirds was sighted.
- 2) Guests: none
- 3) Complaints: none
- 4) Approval of minutes of Feb 1, Feb 15, Feb 17

Anne Melvin made a motion to approve the minutes of February 1, 2018. Doug Bogen seconded the motion, which passed unanimously with a vote of three (3) to zero (0) in favor.

Anne Melvin made a motion to approve the minutes of February 15, 2018. Doug Bogen seconded the motion, which passed unanimously with a vote of three (3) to zero (0) in favor.

Anne Melvin made a motion to approve the minutes of February 17, 2018. Doug Bogen seconded the motion, which passed unanimously with a vote of three (3) to zero (0) in favor.

- 5) Old Business
 - a) Calef Isinglass River Preserve: Parking area – new RFP
 - b) Management of Town Forest and other lands John stated that the Selectmen have proposed expanding the forestry task force to the management of all town owned lands. The CC members concur that this is a good idea.
 - c) Memorandum of Agreement with BOS **Doug Bogen made a motion to approve the Memorandum of Agreement with the BOS. Anne Melvin seconded the motion, which passed unanimously with a vote of three (3) to zero (0) in favor.**

- d) Conservation Projects:
 - i) Schulz, tax map 224 lot 18, 45 acres, Brewster Rd. John will meet with Duane Hyde and Jim Schulz to discuss this project further.
 - ii) Rubenstein Estate property, tax map 240 lot 6, 37 acres off of Richardson Dr. This property abuts the Goodwill and Haley property, and the seller expressed an interest in conserving this piece. John will discuss this with Duane Hyde.
 - iii) Haley property. The town qualifies as a conservation entity to take title if conserved. The BOS agreed to accept title to the land contingent on access and parking.
- 6) New Business:
 - a) Conservation fund to pay bond expenses, \$4,750.00 for Stonehouse Forest. **Anne Melvin made a motion to pay the bond expenses of \$4,750.00 from the conservation fund. Doug Bogen seconded the motion, which passed unanimously with a vote of three (3) to zero (0) in favor.**
 - b) Con Com/Trails Committee display on voting day? (March 13) Marika is willing to organize a schedule.
 - c) Planning Board:
 - i) Capital Improvement Plan - \$500,000 from last time The CC discussed revising the CIP and lowering the amount for CC needs to \$200,000. This amount would be used for management and stewardship of lands rather than land acquisition. **Anne Melvin made a motion to lower the amount requested in the Capital Improvement Plan to \$200,000 and limit it to access and development. Doug Bogen seconded the motion, which passed unanimously with a vote of three (3) to zero (0) in favor.**
 - ii) Form Joint Committee with PB for wetland buffer ordinance John will check to see who would like to be involved.
 - d) ZBA: Kresge, Hemlock Ln. The CC reviewed the plans and acknowledged that the proposed addition seems to be a reasonable addition to the existing house. However, the group expressed concerns with increased runoff from the addition of impervious surface and would like to see measures, such as rain gardens of an infiltration system, to eliminate/reduce stormwater runoff. The group requested more clarity on the plans to show where the relocation of a retaining wall would be. **Anne Melvin made a motion for John to write memo to ZBA expressing the concerns mentioned above. Doug Bogen seconded the motion, which passed unanimously with a vote of three (3) to zero (0) in favor.** John will write a memo.
 - e) Schedule All Boards meeting, early May John will send out an email to set dates for when CC members are available.
 - f) ARM grant round, due April 31
 - g) Beardon property, Young Rd. (Doug) Doug spoke with Duane Hyde, and Duane expressed an interest and said he would look into it.
 - h) Treasurer's report (Pam)
 - i) Goals for 2018:
 - i) PR, education for the public: use of conservation fund money for PR consultant? A message from the NHACC stated that it is possible to use the conservation fund for PR work.
 - ii) trails booklet
 - iii) communication among town boards
 - iv) establish ties with Lakes Associations
 - v) update Natural Resources Inventory, co-occurrence map
 - vi) make Natural Resources Inventory more accessible
 - vii) town representative to Lamprey River LAC
 - viii) Wetland buffer ordinance

- j) Legislative updates (Ken) – want more info on bills related to docks?
- k) Other business that may come before the commission
- 7) Announcements/correspondence:
 - a) Saving Special Places conference April 7
- 8) Other committees: Trails Committee, IRLAC, ORLAC,...
- 9) Easements: Dolmat monitored?
- 10) Next scheduled meeting: March 15.

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

- a) Conservation Projects:
 - i) Newsky property (map 266 lot 6), 30 acres, abuts SATWaSR to SW
 - ii) Wilson property on Mendums Pond: GBRPP grant funded, approved by selectmen; waiting to do appraisal
- b) Goodwill (Rte 9) Driveway needs to be moved 33' further west
- c) forest management of SATWaSR

Anne Melvin made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:00. Doug Bogen seconded the motion, which passed unanimously with a vote of three (3) to zero (0) in favor.

Respectfully submitted,
Pat Lenzi