

MEETING MINUTES

Barrington Conservation Commission

September 15, 2016, 7:30 PM

Barrington Elementary School Conference Room, Rte. 125

PRESENT: John Wallace, Chair
Pam Failing, Vice-chair
Marika Wilde
Anne Melvin
Alison Desmarais

ABSENT: Susan Gaudiello, Selectmen liaison
Ken Grossman, Alternate
Peter Sandin, Alternate
Glenn Gould, Alternate

CALL TO ORDER

Barrington Conservation Commission (BCC) Chair John Wallace called the meeting of September 15, 2016 to order at 7:30.

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

- 1) Sightings Reported were geese, raccoons, a woodchuck, a dead water snake and a dead possum.
- 2) Guests: Joe Falzone - Purchase of land at Rt125 & Substitute Road (map 223 lot 22) Mr. Falzone was unable to attend. Dan Ayer attended as a public citizen. In correspondence Mr. Falzone indicated that he would like to purchase the parcel for driveway access, and that he would need 12' of upland for this access. Since he would be impacting the buffer (or possible wetland) he would make an application for this. Pam pointed out that the driveway access would require more than 12' due to fire code. The group reviewed the map and discussed the potential impact to a suspected wetland. Possible access off Route 125 was also mentioned.
Pam made a motion that given the BCC mission to protect resources and knowing Mr. Falzone's intent for the land, it is recommended to the Selectmen that to protect the wetland the lot not be sold. Anne Melvin seconded the motion, which passed unanimously with a vote of five (5) to zero (0) in favor.

Pam will write a memo to the Selectmen covering the points that the wetlands should be mapped, the access would impact greater than 12' (possibly 20'), and possible access from Route 125.

- 3) Approval of minutes of September 1 **Anne Melvin made a motion to approve the minutes of September 1 as amended. Marika Wilde seconded the motion, which passed unanimously with a vote of five (5) to zero (0) in favor.**
- 4) Complaints:
 - a) Trash on Turbocam easement Alison is organizing a trash pick-up for next week.
 - b) Dan Ayer brought up the continuing issue of a wetland buffer violation off Warren Road. Dan will mention this at an upcoming court proceeding regarding a private matter.
- 5) Old Business
 - a) Conservation Projects:
 - i) Barr property, 58 acres, Seavey Bridge Rd
 - (1) Site walk with LCHIP was last week. John indicated that the walk went well.
 - (2) Site walk with ARM will be rescheduled.
 - (3) Moose Plate grant submitted
 - ii) Calef Isinglass River Preserve:
 - (1) Parking area & improvement to Town Farm Road for access to Calef Preserve John will check with David Allain about delineating the wetland area for a parking lot.
 - iii) Newsy property (map 266 lot 6), 30 acres, abuts SATWaSR to SW: owner will sell to town for \$45,000 The issue of the shooting range and possible lead contamination on the property was mentioned. This could affect the Forest Society's interest in the property. John will send a note to the owner letting them know that the town is still interested.
 - b) Lot merger: Renna, Leahy and rest of SATWaSR: need memo to selectmen **Alison Desmarais made a motion to have John write a memo to the Selectmen recommending the Renna, Leahy and other lots be merged into one. Anne Melvin seconded the motion, which passed unanimously by a vote of five (5) to zero (0).** John will write this memo.
 - c) Goals for 2016
 - i) Conservation plan:
 - ii) Management plans for town properties Anne will contact Don Quiqley regarding having forestry students help with management plans.
- 6) New Business:
 - a) Dredge and Fill applications: The permit by notification for a retaining wall on Swain's Lake (59 Peabody Way) was denied by DES and is being resubmitted as a standard permit. The group reviewed the plans and feels that this is an opportunity to improve the buffer area with vegetation for soil stabilization and filtration. **Anne Melvin made a motion to send a note to DES requesting**

more detail about plantings for filtration and soil stabilization and requesting that disturbed areas be revegetated. Alison Desmarais seconded the motion, which passed unanimously with a vote of five (5) to zero (0) in favor.

- b) \$1500 from TNC for Renna – in Conservation Fund?
 - c) Time to take down Turtle Crossing signs? Alison will put the signs down toward the end of September.
 - d) Planning Board: Dan reported that the request for merging three lots into two (lot line adjustment, McDaniel Shore Drive) was continued for wetland delineation to be completed.
 - e) ZBA
 - f) Treasurer's report (Pam)
 - g) Legislative updates (Ken)
- 7) Announcements/correspondence:
- a) NHACC meeting Nov 12
 - b) Big Tree talk and walk (library), 10 AM Sept 24
 - c) Presentation on wetlands and wildlife at library, Nov 2 6PM
 - d) County Champion Crack Willow on Chestnut Forest property
 - e) GIS/tax map site on town web site (<http://www.axisgis.com/barringtonnh/>) has been updated
 - f) DES:
- 8) Other committees: Trails Committee, IRLAC, ORLAC
- 9) Easements: Borodavchuk, Schulz, Olson monitored
- 10) Next scheduled meeting: October 6

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

- a) Conservation Projects:
 - i) Stonehouse Forest
 - ii) Cook property

Alison Desmarais made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 9:30. Marika Wilde seconded the motion, which passed unanimously with a vote of five (5) to zero (0) in favor.

Respectfully submitted,
Pat Lenzi

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