



**CONSERVATION COMMISSION  
BARRINGTON PUBLIC LIBRARY  
105 RAMSDELL LANE  
BARRINGTON, NH**

**THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 16, 2012  
7:00 P.M.**

**MEETING MINUTES**

**PRESENT:**

John Wallace, Chair  
Pam Failing, Vice-Chair  
Anne Melvin, Alternate  
Clayton Carl, Alternate

**ABSENT:**

Peter Sandin  
Glenn Gould

**GUESTS:**

Mike Speltz; Society for the Protection of New Hampshire Forests; 54  
Portsmouth Street, Concord, NH 03301  
Paul Morrison; Barrington SnowGoers; P.O. Box 146, Barrington, NH  
03825  
Marika Wilde; Chairperson; Barrington Natural Heritage Committee

**STAFF:**

Gregory M. Jones, Transcriptionist

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

**CALL TO ORDER**

Barrington Conservation Commission (BCC) Chair J. Wallace called the meeting of February 12, 2012 to order at 7:00 p.m.

**1. DELEGATION OF VOTING MEMBERS**

Chair J. Wallace confirmed the presence of members as stated above

**2. GUESTS**

Barrington Conservation Commission Meeting Minutes \_ gmj/jw

**A. Mike Speltz, SPNHF**

**P. Failing motioned to move to Executive Session considering the upcoming discussion involving the acquisition/sale of property. A. Melvin seconded the motion which passed unanimously with a vote of four (4), to zero (0) in favor.**

**A. Melvin motioned to move out of Executive Session. P. Failing seconded the motion which passed unanimously with a vote of four (4), to zero (0) in favor.**

**B. Paul Morrison, Barrington SnowGoers**

Paul Morrison, the Trail Master for the Barrington SnowGoers Club (P.O. Box 146, Barrington, NH 03825) approached the Commission to discuss the trail maintenance and establish a partnership with the Commission as respective users of the Barrington trail systems. Wallace will put him in touch with the Trail Committee.

**C. Marika Wilde, Natural Heritage Committee**

Marika Wilde, the Chairperson for the Barrington Natural Heritage Committee, approached the Board to discuss a project which Commissioner Anne Melvin is hoping to initiate with the school system to establish a scavenger hunt/letter box hiking event.

**3. MINUTES REVIEW AND APPROVAL**

**A. Conservation Commission Minutes of January 23, 2012**

**C. Carl motioned to approve the Conservation Commission Meeting Minutes of January 23, 2012 as amended. A. Melvin seconded the motion which passed unanimously with a vote of four (4), to zero (0) in favor.**

**4. COMPLAINTS**

**A. Development on Mendums Pond, violating shoreland**

**Wallace will contact the Mendums Landing Homeowners association to try and get more details.**

**5. OLD BUSINESS**

**A. Purchase of Leahy land (abuts SATWaSR): 42 acres: need for appraisal**

Wallace reminded the Commission that Heath Appraisal Services (14 Everett Street, Manchester, NH 03104-2462) was selected to complete the summary appraisal work at the cost of \$1,800.00. Wallace informed the Commission that the appraisal work is underway. There were no further updates

**B. George Calef: interested in protecting ~300 acres along Isinglass**

Chair J. Wallace asked that the Commission re-vote to expend conservation funds for the purchase of fifty (50) percent of the cost of the update of an appraisal for the 300 acre Calef property up to \$2,000.00. The update has been completed and an invoice for \$1500 has been received by the town.

**A. Melvin motioned to expend \$1500 from the conservation fund towards the cost of the update of an appraisal for the 300 acre Calef property. C. Carl seconded the motion which passed unanimously with a vote of four (4), to zero (0) in favor.**

**C. Proposed Disc Golf site, Brooks Road**

Chair J. Wallace informed the Commission that the proposed Disc Golf project on Brooks Road still has many issues to address before it can go forward.

**D. Town Conservation priorities, updating town co-occurrence map**

Clayton Carl supplied the Commission with a copy of the recently completed town co-occurrence map. A discussion ensued regarding the proper manner in which to classify undeveloped town owned land not under conservation restriction. The Commission agreed to retain the current classification and continue to review the map.

**E. SATWaSR stewardship – review of Dan Howard’s document**

Chair Wallace presented the Commission with an Invoice from Dan Howard in the amount of \$1,000.00 for the completion of the Samuel A. Tamposi Water Supply Reserve Management Plan. The Commission expressed an interest in reviewing the final documentation before rendering a final decision on payment.

**F. White Crest Conservation easement deed contains errors (with town counsel)**

Chair Wallace informed the Commission that the deed is with town counsel.

**6. NEW BUSINESS**

**A. Accept and approve the tentative meeting schedule**

Chair J. Wallace presented the Commission with the tentative 2012 Conservation Commission schedule for review and approval.

**P. Failing motioned to accept the tentative 2012 Conservation Commission Meeting Schedule. A. Melvin seconded the motion which passed unanimously with a vote of four (4), to zero (0) in favor.**

**B. Light wetland application: changed to minimum impact**

**C. Schulz/Carbone survey – which option do we want**

**After some discussion, the commission decided to go with the option of amending the conservation easement deed without recording the survey at the Strafford County Registry of Deeds (expenses for which would come to \$600-800). The amended deed will include a metes and bounds description of the easement area and will refer to the survey as being available at Barrington Town Offices.**

**D. Planning Board Updates**

**i. Convenience store/gas station on Route 125, next to G. Calefs**

The hour being late, discussion of this was tabled until the March 1 meeting, which will still be in advance of the March 6, 2012 Planning Board Public Hearing.

**ii. Midpoint properties (Rte 4): add storage facility and office space to PBS plastics**

The hour being late, discussion of this was tabled until the March 1 meeting, which will still be in advance of the March 6, 2012 Planning Board Public Hearing.

**iii. Four lot subdivision Rte 4**

The hour being late, discussion of this was tabled until the March 1 meeting, which will still be in advance of the March 6, 2012 Planning Board Public Hearing.

**iv. Other PB items may become available before meeting**

**E. Proposed hike/scavenger hunt/letter boxing on town forest**

Addressed in item 1C above

**F. Invite Recreation Director to a meeting?**

The Commission discussed the possibility of inviting the Barrington Recreation Department Director to a Conservation Commission meeting. The response was positive, so Wallace will invite Tara Barker to an upcoming meeting.

**G. Selectmen representative to Con Com – memo sent**

Chair J. Wallace informed the Commission that a letter has been sent to the Board of Selectmen regarding the request for a liaison.

**H. Intents to Cut: We have not been seeing**

Chair J. Wallace informed the Commission that Intent to Cut Permits have not been forwarded to the Commission recently. The issue will be looked into.

**7. ANNOUNCEMENTS/CORRESPONDENCE**

**A. Conservation fund balance: \$378, 202. 59 at the end of 2011**

Chair J. Wallace informed the Commission that the Conservation Fund balance at the end of 2011 was \$378,202.59.

**B. Notice of hearings by DOT: Feb 23 for proposed work at Rtes 9 & 202 intersection; March 1 for proposed work at Rte 125 & Greenhill/Tolend Road intersection. Meetings 7PM, ECLC**

**C. DES:**

**I. Notice to Jack Bingham: more info needed**

Chair J. Wallace informed the Commission that the Department of Environmental Services Wetlands Bureau has reviewed the Bingham Standard Dredge and Fill application and determined that further information is required to clarify and complete the application.

**D. State Planning and Land Use books for all!**

Chair J. Wallace supplied the Commission with the newest edition of the New Hampshire Revised Statutes annotated.

**8. EASEMENTS**

**A. Gerrior easement – no updates**

**B. Remediation of SATWaSR violation – no updates**

**9. COMMITTEE REPORTS**

**A. Natural Heritage Committee**

Nothing to report at this time

**B. Other meetings – Town Forest Task Force, SATWaSR Stewardship group, BOSC, IRLAC, Water Resources, ORWA, Cochecho River WA, etc.**

Nothing to report at this time

**10. MINUTES OF TOWN BOARDS**

**A. Selectmen: 10/17 & 10/24**

Wallace reported that the selectmen's minutes indicate that funding in the proposed general budget for 2012 for monitoring the town-held conservation easements has been halved.

**B. Planning Board**

Nothing to report

**C. ZBA**

Nothing to report

**D. NHC**

Nothing to report

**11. NEXT SCHEDULED MEETING:**

The next scheduled meeting of the Barrington Conservation Commission is scheduled for March 1, 2012 at 7:00 pm in the Barrington Public Library.

**C. Carl motioned to adjourn the Conservation Commission meeting of February 16, 2012 at 9:27 p.m. A. Melvin seconded the motion which passed unanimously with a vote of four (4) to zero (0) in favor.**

Respectfully Submitted,

Gregory M. Jones  
Transcriptionist