

Barrington Conservation Commission
May 16, 2013 7:00 PM
Barrington Public Library`

MEETING MINUTES

PRESENT: John Wallace, Chair
Anne Melvin
Pam Failing

ABSENT: Ken Grossman
Peter Sandin, Alternate
Glenn Gould

CALL TO ORDER

Barrington Conservation Commission (BCC) Chair John Wallace called the meeting of May 16, 2013 to order at 7:00.

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

1) Guests

a) Barry Gier, Wayne Morrill, discuss well on Village Place Subdivision. Mr. Gier and Mr. Morrill (Jones and Beach Engineers, Inc.) presented plans that would have a community well on the conservation easement of Village Place. **Anne Melvin recused herself from the discussion.** The well would supply other businesses in the area (Millo's and Calef's Fine Foods), as well as the proposed gas station and any possible future business. It was mentioned that this plan would be consistent with the town center part of the master plan. Discussion focused on the aquifers in the area and the proposed well capacity, pedestrian access to a town center, possible alternatives to the easement well site, the intent of the easement, and possible extension of a path and a small parking area to promote public access to the easement. Gier and Morrill will try to come up with a more specific plan for consideration at a future meeting. This should be done in the near future, as the conservation easement on the Village Place open space should occur soon.

Anne Melvin joined the meeting following the discussion.

2) Approval of minutes of May 2

Pam Failing made suggestions to amend the minutes.

Anne Melvin made a motion to accept the minutes of May 2 as amended.

Pam Failing seconded the motion, which passed unanimously with a vote of three (3) to zero (0) in favor.

- 3) Complaints: Randy Warren - Stanley/Cooper parking area off Warren Road
The BCC was copied on correspondence from Heather and Randy Warren stating that more stone had been added to the Stanley/Cooper parking area and there was an expansion of the parking area with an extra driveway cut on Warren Road. The BCC determined this is an issue for the Building Inspector and DES.
- 4) Old Business
 - a) BCC by laws (rules of procedure) – Ken: Discussion of by laws will continue at a future meeting.
 - b) Wetland/buffer markers (Anne) There are no developments.
 - c) Village Place easement – John Wallace indicated it is very close to having the final language worked out. There was discussion about language to insure public access to the easement.
 - d) SATWaSR rabbit habitat and forest management update John Wallace, Anne Melvin, Forester Charlie Moreno, Selectman Fred Bussiere, Town Treasurer Peter Royce, and Don Keirstead and Honor (?) from the NRCS. walked part of SATWaSR to survey possible sections for rabbit habitat management. Pam suggested the NRCS Forestry Conservation Activity Plan might be a possibility for further funding of the management plan. The forest management plan will be presented to the Selectmen Monday.
 - e) George Calef: interested in protecting ~300 acres along Isinglass
The option agreement is being reviewed by Calef. John Wallace mentioned that for any grants related to the Calef property it might be possible to put the Kids of the River parcel into a conservation easement as a match for grant funding.
 - f) Update trail book This is an ongoing project.
 - g) Web site (Glenn) Anne Melvin suggested that Glenn could possibly do a BCC Facebook page. John will suggest this to Glenn.
- 5) New Business
 - a) Planning Board
 - i) Gravel pit There are no developments. It has been continued to June.
 - ii) Revised plan for Associated Buyers The Planning Board is revisiting the question of lots of prior record with regards to wetland buffers.
 - b) New members? There are no developments.
 - c) Meeting with selectmen on May 20: update/review of land conservation John Wallace intends to present the forest management plan for SATWaSR, update conservation past and future, check for permission for the Pooh Trail on the Goodwill Area, and mention having a selectmen representative to the BCC.

- d) Treasurer's report - status of Stewardship fund (Pam) Pam Failing is compiling information to present at a future meeting.
 - e) Conservation Plan Anne Melvin will research other communities' Conservation Plans to see what is involved in implementing a plan for the town.
 - f) Trails Committee: move back to BCC? John has approached the Recreation Committee about having the Trails Committee back with the BCC. The Recreation Commission will review this at their next meeting.
 - g) Intents to cut: none
 - h) The DOT wants to put rumble strips along Route 125. The BCC had no comment.
 - i) The DOT wants to widen Route 125 near the area of the Route 125 & 9 lights. John Wallace will send correspondence to DOT pointing out this area is an aquifer protection zone and Irving gas has possible hazardous waste.
 - j) From Planning Board –There is a proposed lot line adjustment for plots on Young Road (Fisheye Development). The BCC determined it has no objection.
 - k) Gerrior – preliminary plans for development have been presented. Anne Melvin expressed concerns with drainage.
- 6) Announcements/correspondence
- a) DES: none
 - b) NHANRS workshop on wetland delineation in difficult situations: June 21, Loudon Pam Failing plans to attend this workshop.
 - c) SRPC annual meeting, May 30
- 7) Easements
- a) Easement monitoring: \$2200 in town budget
 - b) White Crest Conservation easement deed contains errors (with Rochester)
 - c) Schulz/Carbone easement amendment
 - d) Lakeview Estates easement problems: John Wallace did meet with the owner. Ken Grossman will communicate with Sam Reid regarding the legalities of the proposed discretionary approval.
- 8) Committee reports
- 9) Next scheduled meeting: June 6, 2013

Anne Melvin made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 9:45. Pam Failing seconded the motion, which passed unanimously with a vote of three (3) to zero (0) in favor.

Respectfully submitted,
Pat Lenzi

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