## **MEETING MINUTES**

## Barrington Conservation Commission July 3, 2014 7:00 PM Barrington Elementary School Annex, Professional Development Center

PRESENT: John Wallace, Chairman

Pam Failing, Vice Chair

Anne Melvin

Marika Wilde, Alternate

ABSENT: Ken Grossman

Alison Desmarais, Alternate Julia Guimond, Alternate

Fred Bussiere, Selectmen representative

Peter Sandin, Alternate Glenn Gould, Alternate

## CALL TO ORDER

Barrington Conservation Commission (BCC) Chair John Wallace called the meeting of July 3, 2014 to order at 7:00.

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

- 1) Guests: none
- 2) Approval of minutes of June 10, June 19, June 24

Pam Failing made a motion to approve the minutes of June 10 (Carbaugh site walk). Marika Wilde seconded the motion, which passed with a unanimous vote of four (4) to zero (0).

Approval of the June 19 minutes was tabled until a future meeting.

Anne Melvin made a motion to approve the minutes of June 24 (special meeting to address town conservation plan). Pam Failing seconded the motion, which passed unanimously with a vote of four (4) to zero (0) in favor.

3) Complaints: There were no public complaints.

## 4)Old Business

- a) Conservation Projects:
  - i) Calef Isinglass property: ~300 acres along Isinglass. Need for area for town vehicles to turn around at beginning of property. At the June 26<sup>th</sup> selectmens' meeting it was voted to accept and approve \$40,000 from Fish and Game toward the purchase of the Calef property.
  - ii) Brookwood Shores property Nothing new
  - iii) Renna property The selectmen had approved an offer of \$35,000 for the Renna property (\$1,000 an acre), but the owner declined this offer and indicated that she would like to put the property on the market. The new assessed value is \$42,100, and John sent Ms. Renna a note stating that perhaps he would be able to get grants to make up the \$7,100 difference of two the two amounts. Ms. Renna responded that she'd like to get \$45,000. There was discussion of how this amount compares to amounts paid for other lots and the possibility of obtaining grant money. John suggested giving an offer of \$43,550 and the BCC supported this. This offer would be contingent on selectmen approval, a clear title, and the ability to get additional funds to make up the difference from \$35,000 to \$43,550. John will contact Ms. Renna to make the offer with the above contingencies.
  - iv) Wilhelm property town will acquire with quitclaim deed
  - v) Monfet property owner has accepted offer of \$1000/acre. The selectmen voted to approve the offer of \$1,000 per acre. At the selectmens' meeting there was discussion of funding the closing costs. Pam offered that the title search and all closing costs will come from the Conservation Fund.
  - vi) Cook property No news.
- b) BCC by laws: lawyer's comments This will be covered later.
- c) Goals for 2014
  - i) conservation plan: updates from meeting of June 24 This will be covered at a later meeting.
  - ii) propose changes to zoning, subdivision, etc. No developments.
    - (1) Revision of wetland buffer special use permit process
    - (2) Aquifer overlay district (Ken)
  - iii) Update trails booklet No developments
  - iv) Access/parking for SATWaSR from Route 125 No developments.
- 3) New Business:
  - a) Planning Board
    - i) Carbaugh subdivision No developments.
    - ii) Ramsdell Lane conservation subdivision No developments.

- iii) River's Peak subdivision: received conditional approval; signs for undisturbed buffer areas?; reclamation plan for gravel pit?
- iv) Gerrior revision: <u>268-1& Additional Lots -GR-13-SUB (Gerrior Lane Trust)</u>. \$1000 still owed to stewardship fund. Continued to August
- v) **220-18-GR-14-SR** (**Stephen M. Flynn**) Request by the applicant for a Site Review and 3.4 Conditional Use Permit to open a Powder Coating home business with capacity to machine custom small parts with CNC mill machine on a 1.1 acre lot The commission had no comments on this application.
- vi) 206-20-GR-14-SUB/LL (Dawn & Douglas Hatch) Request by the applicant for a Boundary Line Adjustment, Waivers and a 3 lot Subdivision on a 12.9 acre lot on Second Crown Point Road and Pond Hill Road (Map 206, Lot 20) in the General Residential Zoning District The group reviewed the plans with particular attention to the wetland delineations. John will send a memo to the planning board noting concerns with possible impacts to the wetland buffers and recommending a note be added to the plan indicating that markers delineating the buffer be installed prior to the construction process. Also, it is recommended that permanent markers be placed at the boundary of the wetland buffer so that future landowners be aware of restrictions related to the buffers and wetlands. Pam hopes to attend the PB meeting to present the CC position.
- vii) Schedule joint meeting to discuss issues? John will contact Marsha to set this up.
- b) ZBA: Carbaugh subdivision The proposed driveway is less than the 100 foot setback from the river. The group reviewed its previous discussion of the subdivision and concluded that it is not in favor for the following reasons: the driveway is too close to the river and could impact water quality, erosion is a high possibility due to the steep slope, the owners already have fair use of the property, and there is an option for avoidance of the impact by extending the driveway. Pam also mentioned the impact to the active wetland buffer and brought up disturbance of turtle habitat.

Pam Failing made a motion that John write a memo to the ZBA stating that the BCC does not support the Carbaugh application for the reasons stated above. Anne Melvin seconded the motion, which passed with a vote of four (4) to zero (0) in favor.

- c) Report on Saving Special Places meeting (Marika) Marika will present at a future meeting.
- d) Report on Welcome letter/packet to town (Pam) Covered at a future meeting.
- e) Treasurer's report (Pam) Pam will check to see if Falzone money (for Village Place Conservation Easement) has come in.
- f) Intents to cut: 4 received, no prime wetlands or protected shoreland

- 4) Announcements/correspondence: Opening of Winnie-the-Pooh Trail on July 12
- 5) Easements:
  - a) Easement monitoring: SATWaSR begun
  - 8)Pam shared that the State Conservation Committee has \$285,000 available for grants from the Moose Plate program Pam suggested the BCC can be looking at projects for funding.
  - 9) Pam mentioned that Katherine Conan (Franklin Pierce College) is writing a layman's book for wetlands. The author is looking for experiences, stories, etc., related to wetlands, that she can incorporate into the book.
- 6) Next scheduled meeting: July 17

Pam Failing made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:40. Anne Melvin seconded the motion, which passed unanimously with a vote of four (4) to zero (0) in favor.

Respectfully submitted, Pat Lenzi