Barrington Conservation Commission

Special meeting
September 26, 2017 7:00 PM
Barrington Elementary School Conference Room, Route 125

PRESENT: John Wallace, Chair

Pam Failing, Vice-chair

Anne Melvin Marika Wilde Ken Grossman

Dan Ayer, Selectmen liaison

ABSENT: Glenn Gould, alternate

Doug Bogen, alternate

CALL TO ORDER

Barrington Conservation Commission (BCC) Chair John Wallace called the meeting of September 26, 2017 to order at 7:00.

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

- 1) Sightings
- 2) Wilson property on Mendums Pond: appraisal and application to GBRPP At the suggestion of SELT, the BCC considered contributing to the cost of a conservation easement appraisal and being the appraisal applicant on the Wilson property. The CC discussed contributing ¼ of the appraisal cost (approx. \$1750), with the GBRPP and SELT contributing the remainder. Pam expressed that it might be unwise to support the appraisal without affirmation that it would be conserved, and stated concerns that this could set a precedent for parties seeking to get "free" appraisals without serious consideration of conservation. Anne mentioned that BCC support for appraisals would be done on a case by case basis.

Ken Grossman made a motion to pay for 25% of the appraisal cost (up to \$1750) from the conservation fund and have town be the applicant. Anne Melvin seconded the motion, which passed on a vote of three (3) to two (2). Wallace – aye, Failing – nay, Melvin – aye, Wilde – aye, Grossman – nay. John will discuss with John Scruton if this needs Selectmen approval.

3) Next regular meeting: October 5

Ken Grossman made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:45. Pam Failing 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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