

**Barrington Conservation Commission
Minutes for May 12, 2015 Meeting
School Committee Room, Barrington**

Attendance

X	Boyes, David (Treasurer)	X	Myatt, Ted
X	Burlingame, Jim	X	Roberts, Joseph (Secretary)
X	Fuller, Cyndee (Chair)	X	Speakman, June (Town Council)
X	Materne, Doug		Weeden, Leslie

Barrington Conservation Commission

Called to order at 7:35

Zoning Board

New Applications for Review and Recommendation

Application #3804, David and Lilla Winsor, PO Box 323, Barrington, RI, applicants and owners, for permission to build a second bathroom, enlarge kitchen area and reconfigure garage. Assessor's Plat 2, Lot 25, R-25 District, 21 Pleasant St., Barrington, RI, requiring dimensional relief for side yard setback and for 100' setback from wetlands/water bodies and a special use permit for construction within 100' of Wetlands Overlay District.

Entire structure is within the 100' setback for wetlands. A portion of the garage is within the VE zone according to FEMA regulations. Proposal to remove a portion of the garage to remove it from the VE zone. Net increase of impermeable surface of approximately 140 SF (removing 235 SF garage, adding 205 SF replacing existing impermeable surface of driveway, adding 372 SF kitchen and bath). D. Materne Motion (J. Roberts, Second) to approve as proposed with silt barriers and erosion control measures along entire marsh edge including utilizing the existing dry well and the construction of two additional dry wells. . Storage of all construction materials away from marsh edge. Motion approved, 4-1 (1 abstention).

Past Applications for Review and Recommendation

No applications.

Town Council Update

Police Cove park construction has begun and should be completed by July. Rhode Island Comprehensive plan was approved by the state. Barrington will continue to discuss whether to

remain in the state system or opt-out. Field turf discussion is ongoing. Proposal to Financial Town meeting to issue bond for \$1.5 million.

Echo Lake

Review and develop recommendation for Town Council for proposal to remediate Echo Lake, made by resident Ned Barton (attached).

The lake is man-made and is owned by Rhode Island Country Club and the Barrington Land Conservation Trust. Both of those institutions are responsible for the maintenance of the lake. There is a question about the effectiveness of the proposed plan (chemical herbicide); a mechanical method of removal may be the most effective method. Nutrient runoff is a significant problem as well. CC will provide information and recommendations to Town Council within our purview.

Planning

Review and develop recommendation for Phil Hervey, Town Planner, on amendment/modification of conservation easement in place at 102 Sowams Road, made by Michael and Andrea Neligon (attached).

Conservation easement looks to encompass the entire property. Makes sense to provide a footprint for home to allow for normal use of a home within the easement. CC will make recommendations.

Administration

- T. Myatt, Motion to Approve April 2015 Minutes (C. Fuller, Second), Approved.
- Update on Turf Field Ad Hoc committee
- Preparation for May 17th (After) Earth Day cleanup

Commissioner Task Updates

- Joseph:
 - Earth Day Cleanup/Plastic Bag Initiative
- Leslie
 - Film series
- Doug:
 - Police Cove
 - Rayner Wildlife Refuge/Nockum Hill

- Cyndee:
 - Vitullo/Barrington Community Garden
 - Legislative Task Force for Wetlands
- David:
 - Phase II/MS4
 - Tree City USA
- Ted:
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- Jim:
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Having no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 9:22.

**Barrington Tree Commission
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Called to order at 9:22

Discuss Bay Street situation

An agreement between the property owners and the Town Manager allowed the tree to be removed with two trees replacing it but on the property owners' property not Town property. No effort was made to mitigate the loss of a "Town" tree with another "Town" tree.

Discussion on roles and future activities

Postponed

Having no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 9:30