

GREAT BARRINGTON CONSERVATION COMMISSION

WEDNESDAY, February 21, 2024

6:30 PM

Meeting via ZOOM and in person at 334 Main Street, Great Barrington, MA

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Pursuant to Governor Baker's March 12, 2020 Order Suspending Certain Provisions of the Open Meeting Law, G.L. c. 30A, Para 18, and Governor Healey's March 29, 2023 Revised Order extending remote participation by all members in any meeting of a public body, this meeting of the Conservation Commission will be conducted both in-person and via remote participation to the greatest extent possible. Specific information and the general guidelines for remote participation by members of the public and/or parties with a right and/or requirement to attend this meeting can be found on the town's website at www.townofgb.org. For this meeting, members of the public and committee members may attend the meeting in person, or, for those who wish to do so, remotely by following the instructions at the top of this agenda. For those who are not in-person every effort will be made to ensure that the public can adequately access the proceedings in real time, via technological means.

AGENDA

Call to Order: The Chair will conduct a roll call to identify attendees. All votes taken during the meeting will be roll call votes. Participants please identify themselves before speaking. This meeting is being recorded.

- 1. Approval of Minutes** of the November 29, 2023 meeting.
- 2. Request for Determination of Applicability** under the Berkshire Scenic Mountains Act, Great Barrington Regulations, File # 12-20-2023 from John W. Field Tree Service, Inc. on behalf of Todd & Martha Golub, property at 320 Long Pond Road, Map 34 Lot 12D. The proposed work consists of removing 10 dead, diseased and/or dangerous trees within a mapped Scenic Mountain Area.
- 3. Notice of Intent (DEP File # 167-0461)** from S-K Design Group on behalf of Butternut Basin, Inc., property at 380 State Road, Map 42 Lot 2/0. The proposed work includes the removal of an existing Ski Chair-Lift and construction of a new Ski Chair-Lift. Portions of the work are within a Bordering Vegetated Wetland and Buffer Zone. Most of the work will take place in a mapped Scenic Mountain Area also.
- 4. Request for Determination of Applicability** under the Mass Wetlands Protection Act from Great Barrington Land Conservancy, property at 15 Dresser Avenue, Map 14 Lot 229. The proposed work consists of cutting down a two-leader Butternut tree and trimming branches from adjacent trees, all overhanging an adjacent barn. No machinery will enter the Riverfront Bank area. Tree stumps will remain to maintain soil stability in the upland riverbank.
- 5. Discussion** of the establishment of an Invasive Aquatic Weed control effort in Lake Mansfield.
- 6. Motion** to allow the use of electronic signatures on Wetland permits.
- 7. Discussion** of joining with Stockbridge and Sheffield Commissions to promote invasive management and tree planting in Housatonic Riverfront areas.

8. Citizens Speak Time

Citizen Speak Time is an opportunity for the Conservation Commission to listen to residents. Topics of particular concern or importance may be placed on a future agenda for discussion. This time is reserved for town residents only unless otherwise permitted by the chair. Speakers are limited to 3 minutes each.

6. Adjournment

Pursuant to MGL. 7c. 30A sec. 20 (f), after notifying the chair of the public body, any person may make a video or audio recording of an open session of a meeting of a public body, or may transmit the meeting through any medium. At the beginning of the meeting, the chair shall inform other attendees of any such recordings. Any member of the public wishing to speak at the meeting must receive permission of the chair. The listings of agenda items are those reasonably anticipated by the chair which may be discussed at the meeting. Not all items listed may in fact be discussed and other items not listed may also be brought up for discussion to the extent permitted by law