

#### MILLBURY CONSERVATION COMMISSION

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MILLBURY, MASS

## **Meeting Minutes**

Date: July 07, 2021 | Time: 6:30 P.M.

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Present: Ronald Stead, Paul DiCicco, Christopher Weagle, Raymond Keddy

Absent:

## Chairman Stead opened the meeting at 6:30 PM.

6:30PM Mr. DiCicco made the motion to go into Executive Session, seconded by Mr. Keddy, All in favor, motion approved.

6:45PM- Paul made the motion to exit Executive Session, seconded by Ray, All in favor, motion approved.

7:00PM-Mail

## 7:05PM- Public Hearing- NOI- Continued from 5/19/2021 NE Power Company- 50 Grafton Street

DEP # received, open meeting for any comments, no comments, no special OOC's, motion to close hearing by Paul, seconded by Chris, All in favor-Approved.

7:10PM- Public Hearing- NOI- Continued from 5/19/2021 Aquarian Water Company- 58 Oak Pond Ave No DEP#- continued to August 4: 2021 at 7:05PM.

## 7:15PM- Public Hearing- NOI- Continued from 5/19/2021 McLaughlin Family Trust- 17 Rice Road

No DEP#- continued to August 4, at 7:10PM

#### 7:20PM- Public Meeting- RDA

Mid-State Sewerage- 237 Riverlin Street - Removal of Underground Tank Robert Murphy, representing Midstate Sewerage, explained DEP is requesting the tank be removed, DEP will be onsite during the process and Paul would like to see Mid-State give 24-hour notice so that a member of Conservation can also be onsite. Work will take place within the next few weeks. Tank will be removed, hole and tank will be inspected, hole will be backfilled and tank will be moved offsite by Direnzos. Whole project will take less than a day. Siltation fence & straw wattles will be placed for erosion.

Motion to Issue Negative Determination by Paul, seconded by Ray, All in favor-Unanimous.

#### 7:25PM- Public Meeting- RDA

# New England Power Company- 50 Grafton Street - Handhold Installation

Jennifer Bonta of NE Power Company represented the project.

No changes to be made in work area; project consists of digging 3ft deep hole to put utility tools in. New hole will be 3ft from existing hole. Project will be done in 1day.

Motion to Issue Negative Determination by Paul, seconded by Chris, All in Favor-Unanimous.

#### **OTHER BUSINESS:**

#### 192-194 Millbury Ave- Ext of Order of Conditions DEP #2324-0513 Robert

Murphy represented the project. Current OOC will expire on August 8, 2021, looking for 1-year extension; applicant will be filing a new NOI.

Erosion control is in place, clean fill has been brought in.

Motion to issue Extension until July 7, 2022 made by Chris, second by Ray, All in Favor- Unanimous.

### 7 Colton Road- & Colton Right-of-Way Amended Order of Conditions Review -DEP # 224-0808

Minor disturbance expected, wooded on both sides so a few trees will need to be cleared, sides of the road will be re-loamed and cleaned up, erosion control will be in place and the current OOC will be followed. Motion by Paul to accept that proposed amendment to current OOC will be minor in change, seconded by Ray, All in Favor- Unanimous.

#### 115 West Main Street (Singletary Arms) Update

The applicant has filed for an appeal to DEP for the Commissions denial of their OOC.

#### 66 Park Hill Avenue (Clearview) Update

Mr. McCormack, Planning Director Laurie Connors, the developer (Eastland Partners) and the Planning Board consultant Stantec did a site visit on June 24, 2021. Recent heavy storm (May/June) events caused the current erosion control plan in place to fail. Eastland and Stantec are working on a plan to improve water controls. On the day of the site visit, the area looked better.

#### **FY2022 Commission Organization**

To be done at next meeting

#### Wildlife Habitat Improvement Fund- Acceptance of Funds

The Finance Department found an old account called The Wildlife Habitat Improvement Fund with a balance of \$482.03. Motion to accept the balance be transferred into the Conservation Trust Fund. Motion to move made by Chris, seconded by Ray- All in Favor- Unanimous.

#### **Trail Committee Report**

Bruce Devault told the commission the newly formed Trails Committee has 74 Facebook members. He has made a few site visits to check out trails, they have trimmed back some overgrowth from the trails. Bruce has also collected a few donation from local businesses. Bruce requested from the Commission funds to purchase equipment for the upkeep of the trails. The Commission looked at the items to be purchase from Koopmans Lumber and made the motion to approve funds for \$1000.00. The equipment will be store at Bruce's house for safekeeping. Ron made the motion to approve funds for \$1000.00 to purchase equipment from Koopmans Lumber, seconded by Chris- All in Favor- Unanimous.

#### MACC Annual Dues & Environmental Handbook

Dues to come out of the Wetland Filing Fees account for \$434.00. Noted also that the handbook made available to the Environmental Classes at the High School. Motion made by Paul to approve, seconded by Ray, All in Favor- Unanimous.

#### **62 Davis Road**

Storm event from July 1-2 caused significant erosion from dirt stockpile to wash into roadway. A site visit by Conor and the Building Inspector, Paul Stringham was made and the property owner was already onsite at their arrival starting to cleanup. The Sutton Conservation Commission was notified. No further action needed.

#### **Brierly Pond Timber Harvest**

Joseph Lee presented an update to this project. A preliminary map is completed, trees have been marked and project is ready to go out for bids. Mr. Lee stated that there are many trees to be cut down as they have bugs and stress, and there will be some disturbance to the area. Cutting plan will be filed with the State. The project he hopes will start in the winter months, any damage will be fixed after project is completed. A question asked on how much acreage this would affect and Mr. Lee figures around 78 acres would be affected. Ron and Conor agreed that this was a good plan to move forward.

A motion to accept and sign the presented Forrest Cutting Plan was made by Ray, seconded by Paul- All in favor- Unanimous.

#### Next meeting date: Wednesday, August 4, 2021 at 7:00PM

Motion to adjourn meeting at 9:00PM made by Ron, seconded by Paul- all in Favor-Unanimous

# Respectfully submitted,

Jackie Schold, Clerk

Raymond Keddy

Ronald Stead

Christopher Weagle

Paul DiCicco