



MILLBURY CONSERVATION COMMISSION

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Meeting Minutes

Site Walk 55 Sycamore Street, ZPB-428 Energy Storage System Proposal

Date: June 6, 2023 | Time: 4:00 P.M. |

Present for The Commission: Ronald Stead (RS), Jeffrey Raymond (JR), Christopher Weagle (CW), Donald Flynn (Agent)

Present for the Proposed Project: Chuck Caron (CC), Caron Environmental, Tom Corbet (TC) of Control Point Associates.

Absent: Raymond Keddy, Paul DiCicco

4:00 P.M. Chairman Stead opened the meeting at 55 Sycamore Street. DEP #224-0853

Minutes-

Introductions of those present and their positions were made.

Agent Reviewed protocol that no decisions could be made, and the meeting was to gather information only.

CC provided site overview, our location with respect to the submitted plans and then briefly summarized the Resource areas: Riverfront are to Singletary Brook and the intermittent stream which traverses the development parcel. He then proceeded to locate the approximate location of the planned access road and site entry area.

The group then followed CC & TC upland into the project area and near the proposed intermittent crossing and culvert installation so that the Commission members could see the topography and habitat. Remarks were made concerning the many outcroppings of bedrock and shallow soils. Agent Flynn asked about installing the proposed box culvert perhaps directly on the bedrock. TC indicated they thought it would not be a problem. CC remarked that the stream is usually dry as the run-off from storm events is quick due to the steep slope of the land and BVW is only in small areas in the upland part of the project. TC stated that on the upland, above the proposed culvert, the proposed access road became a graveled road to reduce stormwater run-off.


The group proceeded up the project area following the approximate proposed access roadway stopping near the area of most proposed fill to raise the elevation for the proposed equipment. RS asked safety and emergency response questions and asked the proponents representative to discuss fire response. TC discussed, in general, the provisions for emergency response provisions including training for the Millbury Fire Dept. and access to the site. He briefly described the system design to control and contain battery fires. RS asked about the use of and, volume of water needed to quell a battery fire and resultant water quality impacts to resource areas. TC responded that the batteries were in containers designed to withstand battery decomposition and contain resulting compound except for what is given off as smoke and fumes indicating that the effluent smoke is not unlike a

building fire. Regarding the water, TC stated that water is not applied to the battery inside the container but to adjacent installation facilities to cool them and to create a 'fog' to reduce smoke and vapors. He concluded by stating that the water from firefighting would be treated by the same structures as the stormwater system and that the water would have received similar impacts to a building fire.

The meeting was adjourned at approximately 4:50PM.

Respectfully submitted,


Donald Flynn, Agent
Millbury Conservation Commission



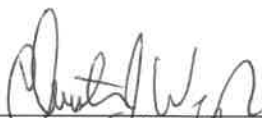
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