

# MINUTES

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## Millbury Conservation Commission

Date: September 20, 2023,

Time: 6:30pm

Present: Ron Stead, Jeffrey Raymond, Christopher Weagle, Paul DiCicco, Matthew Ashmankas  
Conservation Agent: Don Flynn

Call to order at 6:30pm

Karyn Clark Deputy Town Manager spoke to the Commission—to introduce herself, now that she is the “acting” Town Manager. She wanted to let them know she is available to help in any way she can during the transition. She gave a brief back round on her career and said if they have any questions or concerns to contact her office.

NOI for 37 Benton St:

Chairman Stead Opened the Hearing. Norman Hill from Land Planning spoke on behalf of Jim Tomaiolo stating that they plan to build a single-family home on a 1-acre lot. Agent Flynn did a site visit to the location and stated that Mr. Hill adequately described the area. Also, Agent Flynn stated his observation that the area immediately adjacent to the wetlands has been filled in the distant past, not sure when. Mr Hill and Agent Flynn agreed on filling the area with wood chip mulch and jute netting, to stabilize the fill and require at least one wetland sign. Agent will add these to OOCs. MA DEP file number not yet issued.

Jeffrey Raymond motioned to continue to October 4, 2023, Mathew Ashmankas seconded, Voted in favor unanimously.

Eagle Scout project; Bike Repair Station, Brierly Pond Conservation Area

Chairman Stead opened the meeting. Jacob Decatur, Eagle Scout candidate from Troop 22 of Worcester presented his project for Eagle Scout badge. He proposes a bike repair station for the Brierly Pond Conservation Trail. Jacob gave a presentation of the project of the repair station. If he gets approval from the Commission his deadline would be this December before the ground hardens and the snow falls. Discussion of project details and visual diagrams were presented. Bruce DeVault of the Millbury Trails Committee provided additional details and sponsorship coordination. Mathew Ashmankas made a motion to approve the Bike Repair Station at Brierly Pond Conservation, Christopher Weagle seconded the motion. all in favor, Voted in favor unanimously.

30 Shore Terrace: Certificate of Compliance MADEP File 224-0785:

Chairman Stead Opened the Meeting. John Prohaska was present to discuss the project. He stated he had completed the project and the open lot now had a well-established lawn cover, but he had a great deal of difficulty. Eradicating the Japanese knotweed as required by the OOCs. He stated there was a patch remaining near the property boundary with his other parcel. Agent Flynn was recognized by the Chairman and offered that there were patches of knotweed along the waterfront but, that, perhaps the landowner would continue efforts to eradicate it after the COC was granted. Christopher Weagle made the motion to approve, Jeffrey Raymond Second, Mathew Ashmankas abstained. Motion to approve carried.

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Events /matters of Importance.

Ramshorn Pond phragmites treatment in Sept or Beginning October. Posters to be placed near isolated treatment areas.

Greenleaf Terrace-inadequately responsive to Enforcement Order. Fines?

58 Davis Road- Scott Konezcny-Did not respond to follow-up request. Expired OOC, no new submittal yet. Will visit and review erosion Controls going into wet months.

2 Beach Street, no new NOI submittal. Will visit and review erosion Controls going into wet months.

Granger-Lynch not responsive to follow-up for Greenwood Street clearing of wetland.

Site Visits:

37 Benton Street-Single Family House, septic, infiltration, private water well, with Buffer Zone Work.  
Plan reviews:

37 Benton Street NOI Single Family House, Septic, infiltration in Buffer Zone.

Other Matters:

Follow up on Request for Information regarding spray application of herbicides to control invasive species and forest cutting at end Carlstrom Lane from Brian Cory. Was contacted by Ruby Environmental about permits/limits. No local ordinance. Requested e-mail to document and to keep contact for Brierly Pond invasives control.

In office meeting with Greenleaf Terrace developer and Town Planner to discuss Enforcement Order from Con Comm Agent and Cease & Desist Order from Building & Planning.

Notification of spray application of Glyphosate to Japanese knotweed. The agent responded by strongly recommending postponing application until next year prior to plants flowering.

Sent out RFQ's for metal Wetland Signs &

Contact 1 Ilyas Lane about COC, no-show on Sept 6 meeting. No show, no request for re- inspection. Remove from Agenda?

Contact owner 31 Tainter Hill Road and direct to install wetland signs ASAP.

Follow-up to MADOT invasives spraying.

Respond to Phone Message Brian Cory-Spraying for invasive and forest cutting plan Carlstrom Lane.

Renew Enforcement activities 58 Davis Road due to unresponsiveness.

Obtain Costs for 'Wetlands' signs. Contacted Alpha Graphic, Serrato Sign, Lyon's Signs, Sunshine Shines.

Clearview Development-park Hill Ave-Request for Extension-Will do site visit before 10-4-23.

Ameresco Starting Riverlin St. Solar project at landfill.

Signs-Ramshorn Phragmites Notification.

Respectfully,  
Don Flynn, Agent

Jeffrey Raymond made the motion to close the meeting, Paul DiCicco seconded, all in favor, meeting closed.

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Respectfully submitted,

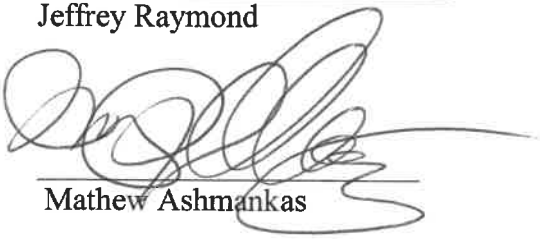


Christine Marden  
Secretary



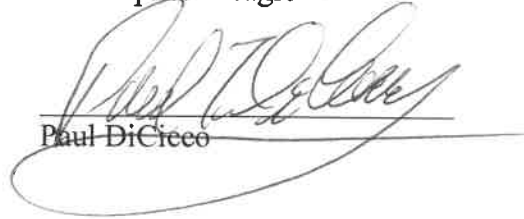
Ronald Stead

Jeffrey Raymond



Mathew Ashmankas

Christopher Weagle



Paul DiCicco