



MILLBURY CONSERVATION COMMISSION

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Meeting Minutes

Date: July 15, 2020 | Time: 7:00 P.M. | via Zoom Meeting

Present: Ronald Stead, Anthony Cameron, Paul DiCicco, Sarah Hoecker

Absent:

The members voted to sign minutes from the March 4, 2020, April 1, 2020 and April 15, 2020 meetings.

7:05 P.M.

Town of Millbury

Notice of Intent

58 Elmwood Street – Construction of a new elementary school

Sandy Brock from Nitsch Engineering was present for the applicant. Sandy addressed the comments received from DEP. She explained that test pits have been done below the existing building to find the water table. She said there have been 2 minor changes that came from the Planning Board regarding stormwater. They would like to see a swale that will divert the water to the woods and not the mall at the emergency access. A sidewalk has been shifted and a retaining wall has been removed that will have less impact on the wetlands. Tony asked if the swale will be grass. Sandy said it will be grass with a wetland seed mix. Ron said he would like to see some wetland signs put along flags 1-7 1-8 1-9. Paul made a motion to close the hearing; seconded by Tony; voted unanimously.

7:10 P.M.

Lynn DiGennaro

Notice of Intent

15 Jaclyn Rae Drive – Installation of an in-ground swimming pool

Norman Hill from Land Planning was present for the applicant. Norman explained that the homeowners would like to put in an in-ground pool. He said once outside of the fence it drops off to a wetland. Sarah asked is the erosion controls will be inside the fence. Norman said yes. Tony asked what will be done with the materials being removed. Norman said it will be trucked away. Paul asked if the equipment will have access. Norman said a section of the fence will be removed. Tony asked if the deck will be concrete. Norman said yes, a small apron around the pool. Paul made a motion to close the hearing pending that there are not comments from DEP; no one seconded; Sarah made a motion to continue the hearing to August 19, 2020; Tony seconded; Paul, Tony and Sarah voted yea, Ron voted Nay.

7:15 P.M.

Chad Bristol

Determination of Applicability

18 Wilson Road – Removal of underbrush and felled trees along with minor grading

Brian Hassett from Allen Engineering was present for the applicant. Brian explained that the house will be completely outside the buffer zone and no structures will be placed there. Erosion controls will be silt fence and straw bales. They would like to clear the debris at the waterline to promote grass growth. Existing conditions are a mowed grass lawn. Paul asked if any work is being done at the shoreline. Brian said no, just cleaning it up. Tony asked if any digging will be done between the barrier and the water. Brian said no. Sarah made a motion for a negative determination; Paul seconded; voted unanimously.

7:20 P.M.

Daniel Serber – Next Grid Colton, LLC

Notice of Intent

7 Colton Road – Extension of an existing gravel road

Daniel Serber was present. Daniel said that 2 solar farms have already been permitted from the commission. The Planning Board has said the road is not adequate so the road needs to be extended and widened. Richard Tabinski from Allen Engineering was present for the applicant. He said 3 wetland areas have been flagged. An existing conditions survey has been done also. The road has some paved areas, gravel and millings. The planning board said it needs to be widened to at least 18 feet. The flat areas will have 8 inches of compacted gravel. The road will have a consistent width the whole way. It will be pitched to one side with rock lined swales. There will be some infiltration basins. The grade will not change within the flood zone. A 100 foot diameter turn around will be constructed for emergency vehicles. Sarah asked if there is a plan to replace any trees that are being removed. Rich said no. Tony asked if a culvert was being replaced. Rich said it is not going to be touched. Tony asked where the majority of the work is being done. Rich said at the end of the road. Tony made a motion to close the hearing; Paul seconded; voted unanimously.

7:25 P.M.

Decks Plus

Determination of Applicability

43 Manor Road – Replace existing deck

Josh from Decks Plus was present. He explained that the homeowners need a new deck and would like to build a new one. The four posts will be dug using techno metal posts. Ron asked if any erosion controls will be placed. Josh said he wasn't sure. Tony asked how far away the deck will be from the pond. Josh said about 38 feet. Tony asked if the sono tubes will be dug out. Josh said no. Tony made a motion for a negative determination; Sarah seconded; voted unanimously.

Terry Burke Dotson

Informal

35 Beach Street

Terry Burke Dotson was not present.

Other Business:

Ron said he would like to reconsider the vote for 15 Jaclyn Rae Drive. No one made a motion

Reorganization:

Tony made a motion for Ron to be Chairman; seconded by Sarah; voted unanimously.

Tony made a motion for Sarah to be vice chair; seconded by Ron; voted unanimously.

Paul made a motion for tony to be clerk; seconded by Sarah; voted unanimously.

49 Stowe Road: Sarah showed the members some pictures she took when she did a site visit to 49 Stowe Road. The homeowner said that since the neighbor has moved some rocks the water flow has gotten bad. DPW was made aware and come out to take a look. The homeowner said the water used to be stopped by the wall that the neighbor has disturbed. Ron asked if there are wetlands on the property. Sarah showed the members a map of the property. Sarah said she didn't think it is under the jurisdiction of the commission and that it is a civil matter. Ron and Tony agreed. Sarah said she would reach out on behalf of the commission.

Adam Farkes from CS Energy was present to give a presentation for the Certificate of Compliance for 278 West Main Street.

The members voted to sign the following Certificate of Compliances:

Jessica J Drive Ext. DEP file #224-0752
278 West Main Street DEP file #224-0775
12 Autumn Gate Circle DEP file #224-0506
115 Grafton Street DEP file #224-0561
100 Worc/Prov Tpke DEP file #224-0792


Tony made a motion to pay the MACC dues; seconded by Sarah; voted unanimously.

Tony made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:37pm; seconded by Sarah; voted unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,



Conor McCormack
Assistant Planner


Ronald Stead
Anthony Cameron
Sarah Hoeker
Paul DiCicco

