



MILLBURY CONSERVATION COMMISSION

A Better World Through Conservation

Meeting Minutes

Date: October 21, 2020 | Time: 7:00 P.M. | via Zoom Meeting

Present: Ronald Stead, Anthony Cameron, Paul DiCicco, Raymond Keddy

Absent:

7:00 P.M. Chairman Stead opened the meeting at 7:00 PM [times of public hearings are advertised times]

Mr. Stead introduced Mr. Keddy to the Commission. Mr. Keddy thanked him and noted that he looked forward to working with the Commission going forward.

Mr. Stead reported that he and Mr. McCormack conducted a site visit at 146 Wheelock Avenue regarding an Enforcement Order for filling of loam in potential wetland and 100' buffer zone areas. The resident will have a wetland scientist flag the area and remove fill, if deemed necessary.

7:05 P.M. Eastland Partners, Inc.
Notice of Intent
66 Park Hill Avenue (Clearview Open Space Community) – Construction of Stormwater Basins
Stephen O'Connell from Turning Point Engineering represented the applicant and presented the Notice of Intent. Mr. Cameron clarified that the project has a DEP File Number. Mr. O'Connell explained that the developers plan to construct an Open Space Community and that the project is currently also in front of the Planning Board for Definitive Plan approval. He said most of the development will occur within previously developed /disturbed land and that only three stormwater basins will be constructed within Bordering Vegetated Wetlands. The Planning Board's consultants, Stantec, has reviewed the Stormwater Management Report and all comments have been addressed. He explained that the HOA will be responsible for maintenance of roadways within the development and project will include the construction of over 2 miles of trails within the Open Space area of the development. Mr. O'Connell noted that some blasting is necessary but that no blasting will occur within the 100' buffer zone. He also clarified that all stormwater from the project will be directed to the three stormwater basin on site, as well as improving drainage onto Park Hill Avenue. Mr. O'Connell said the developer would provide some funds, in the \$5,000 to \$10,000 range, to the HOA to perform maintenance of the trail in the open space.

He also noted that a small parking area and trailhead is proposed along Park Hill Avenue, which will also include a trail map. The HOA would be responsible for plowing of that area; it is not within 100' buffer zone. Mr. Stead requested wetland signs be installed at certain flagged locations, which will be included as a condition in the Order of Conditions, Mr. O'Connell agreed this request. Additionally, Mr. Stead requested signs be installed at the stormwater basins for information/educational purposes. Mr. Cameron requested measurement poles be installed in the fore bay to track the buildup of sediment, Mr. O'Connell agreed.

Bruce DeVault of 14 Forest Drive commented that he is looking to work with the Scouts of Millbury and the Conservation Commission regarding the development of a Trails Committee to ensure that this new trails and other trails in the town are maintained. Mr. Stead gave his support for this idea and encouraged this group to look at other conservation areas in town that also need attention. Mr. Stead invited Mr. DeVault to come back at next meeting, Nov. 4, to present this idea further. Mr. O'Connell voiced his support for this idea and expressed his willingness to help in the effort.

Mr. Cameron asked Mr. O'Connell about sediment and erosion control during construction, to which Mr. O'Connell said there are measures in place, all of which will occur within Phase I to ensure the entire site is stabilized before beginning work on Phase II.

Mr. Cameron made a motion to close the hearing, with the conditions previously outlined, seconded by Mr. DiCicco. All in favor, motion approved.

Other Business: None

Mr. Cameron made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:43 P.M., seconded by Mr. DiCicco. All in favor, motion approved.


Respectfully submitted,

Conor McCormack
Assistant Planner




Ronald Stead, Chair

Raymond Keddy



Anthony Cameron



Paul DiCicco