

11 Thomas Hill Road
Millbury, MA 01527

March 30, 2022

Dear Millbury Planning Board:

We would ask that you make a favorable recommendation for the “Rezoning to Suburban II a portion of Residential I North of Rice Road” citizen’s petition at your next meeting.

We completely support this citizen’s petition, as it would be in our neighborhood’s best interests to preserve the integrity of our single-family neighborhood. We endorsed this citizen’s petition with a full understanding of the ramifications of the proposed zoning change and what it would mean for our neighbors on Rice Road. Prior to signing this petition, any questions that we had were answered to our satisfaction by Mr. Stearns.

We personally don’t feel that what has been proposed, denied, and threatened is the right “fit” for Rice Road or this neighborhood. We would rather see a reasonable number of single-family houses that are compatible with our neighborhood. We are strongly opposed to any high-density development on the undeveloped property that is part of the Rice Pond Realty Trust or the McLaughlin Family Living Trust properties. Changing the zoning so that both sides of Rice Road match is the much preferred option as we see it.

We sincerely hope that you will support our efforts to protect our investment in our individual homes, our neighborhood, and this town in the same way that you would advocate for yourself and your vested interests. We chose Millbury for its small-town charm and character. We do understand that we need responsible development in this town, not threats from a developer who’s only interests are cramming in as many units as possible for greater bottom-line profits. We are counting on you to be an advocate for your constituents (us, our neighbors, and all residents of Millbury). This citizen’s petition is a single step in the right direction.

We would also like to put on the public record that either Sean or Tim McLaughlin (we get them confused) personally told us that their siblings’ intention was to develop their parents’ estates’ property as single-family house lots and claim that the developer that they have chosen to get involved with switched up the families’ intended plans to a high-density multi-family development.

Sincerely,

Elaine and Rob Molino