

# MINUTES

## Millbury Conservation Commission

Date: September 3, 2014

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MILLBURY, MASS  
Time: 7:00 PM

Present: Donald Flynn, Ron Stead, Paul DiCicco, Anthony Cameron  
Absent: Mathew Ashmankas

7:15 P.M. Ucef Charmchi  
CHARMCHI Notice of Intent Continuance  
CONTINUANCE 8 Bayberry Lane

*Document used:*

- *Septic System Design Ucef Charmchi 8 Bayberry Lane, Millbury, MA revised 8/20/14*  
Chairman Donald Flynn opened hearing. Patrick Burke of HS&T Group was present on behalf of applicant and submitted revised plan to board this evening. Referring to revised plan, he addressed matter of additional drainage as requested by Commission. He said they cannot propose dropped inlet where originally discussed because it's not their property, will have to make onsite improvements including yard drains under driveway & swales. Proposed well relocated so to have less impact on roadway. Stormceptor proposed in road, 8' deep. Board reviewed revised plan. Chairman Flynn commented no mitigation indicated on plan, asking will site be protected during excavation. Mr. Burke said hay bales, silt fence & riprap will be used to mitigate site, and said excavated fill will be taken off site. Tony Cameron commented that there's no detail on plan regarding size or rip-rap or of flared end. Mr. Burke said he still needs to finalize plan and will include this. Chairman Flynn asked about maintenance of stormceptor and was advised by Mr. Burke that the property owner will be responsible to clean/maintain. Audience members spoke. David Mickelson of 17 Bayberry Lane voiced concerns about proposed pipe, potential runoff to his property & asked how many trees will be cut down. Kevin Granger of 15 Bayberry Lane questioned the calculations regarding stormwater, commenting the site is already saturated. John Loehmann of 65 Auburn Rd. questioned how one can assume proposal will work & is it tested after the fact. Vin Mickelson of 17 Bayberry Lane voiced concern because of how wet the area is already. Chairman Flynn advised that proponent will have to come back to Commission, so it may be advantageous if applicant & abutter (Mickelsons of 17 Bayberry Ln.) can agree to a revision with regards to the proposed swale.

Ron Stead motioned for continuance of the Notice of Intent to 7:15 P.M., September 17, 2014; seconded by Tony Cameron; voted unanimously.

8:15 P.M. Steve Long/Borrego Solar Systems  
LONG/BORREGO Notice of Intent  
SOLAR 40 Auburn Road  
PUBLIC HEARING Chairman Donald Flynn read legal ad.

*Document used:*

- *Site Development Plans for PV Project 40 Auburn Road, Millbury, MA 8/13/2014*  
Chris Tait of Doucet & Associates was present on behalf of applicant to propose work associated with construction of a ground-mounted solar array system on 106 acres of existing gravel pasture cow field known as Blash Farm. He advised that wetlands were delineated by NEE. He explained a portion of solar arrays proposed in BZ to wetland and

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a 14' wide gravel access driveway. Also proposed are two wetland crossings requiring 388 sq. ft. of bank alteration. Mr. Tait said 392 sq. ft. of wetland replication proposed for disturbed wetland crossings. Proponent will maintain culverts. He explained no grading is proposed, some of forested area will be removed so panels aren't shadowed, and stormwater runoff will be reduced as result of project. Minimal impact/disturbance proposed – rack system solar panels are mounted to ground on driven piles or screw foundations. Mr. Tait said they wanted to make Con Com familiar with project but plan on continuing until after Planning Board review. He advised that if the board would like, they would set up a time for a site visit.

The board reviewed and discussed proposal. Chairman Flynn read aloud a comment from DEP. Chairman asked for a replication plan & project sequencing. Mr. Tait said he will supply information.

Ron Stead motioned for continuance of the Notice of Intent to 7:30 P.M., September 17, 2014; seconded by Tony Cameron; voted unanimously.

8:00 P.M.                    166 West Main L.L.C.  
166 W MAIN LLC        Request for a Determination of Applicability  
PUBLIC MEETING       166 West Main Street  
Chairman Donald Flynn read legal ad.

No one was present regarding this matter. Board will hear at their next meeting.

8:15 P.M.                    Landscaping Etc., Inc.  
LANDSCAPING            Request for a Determination of Applicability  
ETC PUBLIC               145 Providence Street  
MEETING                    Chairman Donald Flynn read legal ad.

Chris Keenan of Quinn Engineering, Inc. was present on behalf of applicant. Steve Christy, owner of LEI was also present. Mr. Keenan explained that National Grid has an easement on a portion of Mr. Christy's property and is currently performing an ongoing (Interstate Reliability/Reconductoring) project. National Grid asked Mr. Christy to stockpile soil on his property (outside the easement area) to which he agreed and Mr. Christy is to keep the soil for his own use for a future project. Mr. Keenan explained the filing of the RDA is to allow the stockpiling of the material within buffer zone (BZ) to Bordering Vegetated Wetland (BVW) until that time. He said wetlands were flagged by EcoTec. Straw wattle line proposed around stockpile. Board reviewed & discussed proposal. Mr. DiCicco asked how long they planned on stockpiling material before using. Mr. Christy said probably one to two years. Chairman Flynn suggested more substantial mitigation. Mr. Keenan said they can use a double row of hay bales & Mr. Christy said he could spray stockpile with his hydroseeder as well.

The board agreed a filing of a Notice of Intent (NOI) is not required.  
A Negative Determination will be issued.

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8:30 P.M. Massachusetts Electric Co.  
MASS ELECTRIC Request for a Determination of Applicability  
ETC PUBLIC 1 Latti Farm Road  
MEETING Chairman Donald Flynn read legal ad.

Mike Toohill of BSC Group, Inc. was present on behalf of applicant. Patrick Smith of Mass. Electric Co. was also present. Mr. Toohill explained proposal to repave an existing access driveway & parking lot at Mass. Electric's training facility located both in Millbury & Worcester. He advised an RDA for same work is before the Worcester Con. Com. He explained work proposed is to grind & remove existing pavement; do minor grading and re-pave area (same footprint). At closest point, work is 40' - 45' from BVW. P.J. Keating is contracted for work.

The board agreed a filing of a Notice of Intent (NOI) is not required.  
A Negative Determination will be issued.

SALO The Conservation Commission was notified by Brennan Salo that work at  
CERTIFICATE OF 9 Pond Terrace is done per OOC# 224-713 and requested a Certificate of  
COMPLIANCE Compliance.  
A Certificate of Compliance was approved and issued.

RENAUD The Conservation Commission was notified that work at 21 Ashton Lane, Unit 3  
CERTIFICATE OF at Brierly Pond Village is done per OOC# 224-515 and requested a Certificate of  
COMPLIANCE Compliance.  
A Certificate of Compliance was approved and issued.

BURNS The Conservation Commission was notified that work at 21 Ashton Lane, Unit 3  
CERTIFICATE OF at Brierly Pond Village is done per OOC# 224-688 and requested a Certificate of  
COMPLIANCE Compliance.  
A Certificate of Compliance was approved and issued.

INFORMATIONAL The Commission received a copy of the Site Plan from the Planning Board regarding  
ITEMS Blash Farm Solar Proposal at 40 Auburn Road, for review and comment.

In a letter dated August 25, 2014, National Grid notified the Commission of electric distribution line pole replacement work at Cross St. and Millbury No. 3 switching station.

The Conservation Commission received a copy of a letter sent from Mathew Ashmankas to the Millbury Planning Board with regards to the proposed development known as Casa Verde Villages.

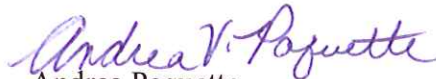
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Ron Stead motioned to adjourn the meeting at 9:00 p.m.; seconded by Paul DiCicco; voted unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,




Andrea Paquette

Secretary



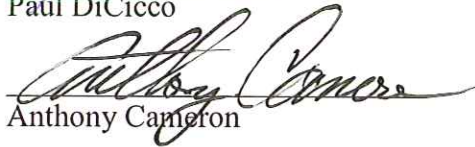
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