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**Millbury Conservation Commission**

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Date: September 17, 2014

Time: 7:00 PM

Present: Donald Flynn, Ron Stead, Paul DiCicco, Anthony Cameron

Late: Matthew Ashmankas

**APPEAL:** **Lawrence Richards**, an abutter to the property, is appealing the decision of 9/2/14 for Cobblestone Village and is asking for the commission to define and redefine the wetlands area behind his property, and asking for a redetermination of the order of conditions.

**MAIL:** Letter from **New England Power Company** notifying the Conservation Commission of their intent to perform activities, specifically tower painting. Chairman Donald Flynn reminded them they do still need to protect the resource areas from alteration; they will go through the National Grid SOP's.

Paul DiCicco motioned to hold next meeting on October 8, 2014, seconded by Ron Stead; Voted unanimously. Chairman Donald Flynn said October meetings would be 2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> of the month.

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

Proponent for 8 Bayberry Lane left a late message on voicemail saying that the Board of Health is requiring additional grading of property and would like a continuance. Chairman Flynn read legal ad and opened the hearing. Ron Stead motioned for continuance of the Notice of Intent to 7:15 pm, October 8, 2014 8, 2014; seconded by Paul DiCicco; voted unanimously.

Chairman Donald Flynn notified the abutters that questions should be addressed through the town planner as they go through their staff change.

7:30 P.M. Steve Long/Borrego Solar Systems  
LONG/BORREGO Notice of Intent  
SOLAR 40 Auburn Road  
NOTICE OF Chairman Donald Flynn read legal ad.  
CONTINUANCE  
INTENT

Donald Flynn read some correspondence from Douchet & Associates requesting the public hearing for the PV Project 40 Auburn Road, Millbury, MA

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be continued from 9/15/14 to the first meeting in November, 2014. The Planning Board has requested additional survey information.

Tony Cameron motioned for continuance to November 5, 2014 at 7:15 pm; seconded by Ron Stead; voted unanimously.

Mathew Ashmankas arrived.

MINUTES: Mathew Ashmankas motioned to accept the minutes of August 20, 2014 meeting; seconded by Tony Cameron; voted unanimously.

Update on 71 McCracken Road from Matt Ashmankas, he finally caught the bulldozer driver there on Monday; Matt ordered them to extend the western boundary of the silt fence and wattles, he could continue to bring the boulders up to the asphalt but he had to stop until the silt fence and wattles are back to full functionality; he finally spoke to the contractor. The contact number for the reverend that we have on file is not correct. They had removed the topsoil from where the church is going and where the detention ponds are going to be. Matt told the contractor that in order for any further work to continue, the silt fence has to be fully repaired and his next project has to be the retention ponds because that was supposed to be the first thing that they did. One of the abutters came out and she is uncertain as to what is going to happen to her access from McCracken Rd to the back of her property; he told her she needs to ask the Planning Board.

7:46 P.M. 166 West Main LLC  
REQUEST FOR Chairman Donald Flynn read legal ad and opened the hearing  
OF A plan of the land was submitted.  
DETERMINATION Tom Murphy, owner of the property was present. Mr. Murphy said that it is an existing  
APPLICABILITY 2 family home from the 1920's, there was an asphalt driveway up to the house, he would like to make it bigger. He is not going towards the pond, he would actually be away from it. He would like to put 2 parking spots per apartment plus one. He is going to replace the whole driveway, all sloping away from the pond and levels off. He has proposed some stakes, straws and wattles. He often puts hay bales at the end of the driveway in heavy rain storms. Ron Stead said there should be no problem as the parking area slopes towards West Main Street. Mr. Murphy is making the driveway wider. The board agreed filing of a Notice of Intent (NOI) is not required. A Negative Determination will be issued.

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8:00 P.M.  
INFORMAL  
MEETING

Casa Verde Village

Chairman Don Flynn asked Casa Verde Village to come in because a board member feels that there may be a delineation issue regarding wetlands; it is located off Oak Pond Ave on a large parcel that used to be a sand and gravel pit, goes all the way back to Rt. 20; it is 63 acres. Mat Ashmankas said that when they went on their site visit they walked the land, starting at the silt flume all the way around the property and determined that the silt flume is run off from the property of an industrial lot (Murgo Trucking). Rob Truax, Engineer for Casa Verde, said that they are planning on planting vegetation and putting up a fence in that area. It is adjacent to open space and they are planning on making that a natural retention pond. Mat Ashmankas has concerns about the other side of Rt. 20 and the meet point; so he recommended:

- 1) Contact the abutter and/or MA DOT for installation of a berm at the driveway entrance to keep the flow from Rt 20 coming down on that property;
- 2) Install ground berms along the entire western boundary; he's concerned about the elevations and impact of the stream that used to go all the way to Dorothy Pond;
- 3) Calculations of subterranean inflow and outflow;
- 4) Install silt fencing and waddles in any area where the stream or known northeast wetland comes in any range of their project;
- 5) For the interior wetland that you are creating in the middle; introduce native plants to the wetlands which would be beneficial for all; Mr. Truax that it is all gravel; they are not clearing any of the existing vegetation; they have an erosion control plan in place.
- 6) Introducing an emergency exit in case of "what if".

Chairman Donald Flynn said that it looks like they have addressed all of Mat Ashmankas' issues. Mat Ashmankas said that he is satisfied. Mr. Truax said that they are not in a hurry and they will walk the grounds with the commission in another 2 weeks if they want. Don Flynn asked when they are going to start and they said the fall. Don Flynn thanked them for coming in and their cooperation.

The Commission wanted to acknowledge their clerk, Andrea Paquette who is leaving the department to work in the Treasurer/Collector department. They will take her and her husband out to dinner. Andrea has done a great job and will be missed by all.

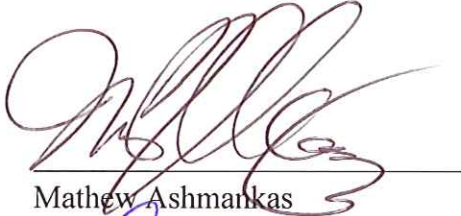
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Mat Ashmankas motioned to adjourn the meeting at 8:15 pm; seconded by Paul DiCicco;  
Voted unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Tish Hayes

  
Donald Flynn

  
Mathew Ashmankas

  
Ron Stead

  
Paul DiCicco

  
Anthony Cameron

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**Agenda**

- 7:00 P.M. Mail, Minutes, Vouchers
- 7:15 P.M. Ucef Charmchi  
Notice of Intent Continuance  
8 Bayberry Lane - construction of a single family house & associated work  
including septic system
- 7:30 P.M. Steve Long/Borrego Solar Systems  
Notice of Intent Continuance  
40 Auburn Road - construction of a solar energy facility
- 7:45 P.M. 166 West Main L.L.C  
Request for Determination of Applicability  
166 West Main Street – expand driveway & parking area
- 8:00 P.M. Casa Verde Village  
Informal Meeting

All business not reasonably anticipated to be discussed  
Note: Agenda subject to change without notice

