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Date: August 15, 2012

MILLBURY, MASS Time: 7:00 PM

Present: Ron Stead, Mathew Ashmankas, Paul DiCicco

Absent: Donald Flynn, Anthony Cameron

7:15 P.M. **INFORMAL MEETING** 

Document used: letter dated July 25, 2012

Atty. Peter Keenan and his client Brian Marino were present. Vice-Chairman Ron Stead read aloud a letter submitted by Atty. Keenan, on applicant's behalf, requesting modifications to work at 1-5 Elm St. (Dunkin Donuts) be allowed per the existing Order of Conditions. Modification work consists of re-grading & stabilization of an area not included in original plan. Atty. Keenan explained change as a minor modification, noting project still meets all performance standards and there will be no increase in adverse impacts. He said this has come about due to a site visit by Chairman Flynn whereas he observed rebuilding of an existing headwall, the resulting mound of fill that requires re-grading to reduce slope & need for stabilization of the slope. Board discussed matter. Mat Ashmankas commented that he visited the site and concurs with Atty. Keenan. He agrees the modification work is not a significant change and is beneficial, however, he said the cobbles should be larger than those that are there because the flow is greater than anticipated. Paul DiCicco commented that applicant has done Town a favor by improving the wall that was in need of repair, at their cost, which the Town hadn't done and said he's in favor of accepting the request and not requiring an amendment hearing. The board reviewed proposed changes and determined that the changes will not result in the addition of any further special conditions and modification work can be done in accordance to the existing OOC. The Commission advised applicant to notify the office when work is done so they could visit. Proponent said he would increase the size of the rap at the exit of the culvert.

7:30 P.M. **CREWE** 

Kathleen Crewe Notice of Intent

PUBLIC HEARING 33 Ramshorn Road

Vice-Chairman Ron Stead read legal ad.

#### Document used:

- Subsurface Disposal System Repair - Kathleen Crewe 33 Ramshorn Road, Millbury Jason Dubois of Bertin Engineering was present on applicant's behalf to propose demolition of existing house, construction of new, larger house & installation of a septic system within buffer zone (BZ) to pond. Referring to the revised plan he submitted this evening, he indicated for the board location of the septic system & associated leachfield and area of house re-construction and grading. He explained an existing wall will be removed & new wall proposed; portion of another wall will be repaired. Existing retaining wall along water will remain untouched. Propose to relocate existing well. Haybales proposed for mitigation. Hydraulic boom proposed.

Board discussed proposal. Vice-Chairman Ron Stead asked about demolition and was told existing house & foundation will be removed. Mr. Stead asked about proposed septic system & was told it's not yet been approved by Board of Health. Vice-Chair asked about boom & Mr. Dubois explained hydraulic boom is generally located 40' from where any machinery will be used, in case of hydraulic release, as it's usually 40' it would spread.

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The board also suggested straw wattles be used as mitigation. Mr. Dubois said they would like to begin work in the Fall and complete by Spring season.

Vice-Chair read aloud a note from abutter Diane Stano of 19 Sunset Dr. concerned about trucks going over her property during construction. Mr. Dubois said this will not be an issue because of where abutter is located.

Mathew Ashmankas motioned to close the hearing; seconded by Paul DiCicco; voted unanimously to close.

Board voted unanimously to approve proposal.

An Order of Conditions will be issued.

8:00 P.M. INFORMAL **MEETING** 

Boy Scout Andrew Borus of Troop 110 Millbury was before the Commission to discuss his intent to undertake an Eagle Scout project involving Davidson Sanctuary. He said he recently walked the trails and found them overgrown. He said he would like more people to know about the Sanctuary & would like to see it used more by the public. For his Eagle Scout project, he is proposing to: clean up the overgrown trails, remove trees that have fallen in pathways, re-mark trails as to degrees of difficulty, raise public awareness. He explained, as part of his project he must have community help him (prob. 10-30 people). Discussion ensued. Paul DiCicco suggested he contact Tom Reilly, writer for the Millbury-Sutton Chronicle, to help with publicity. Mat Ashmankas asked if he will fundraise and Andrew said he might do some. The Commission thanked him for his interest and gave him their support. Vice-Chair Ron Stead asked that he submit in writing what he will be doing before he starts, and asked him to call the office to let us know when he will be doing it. Mr. Ashamankas advised scout to contact the Town Clerk for a Certificate of Insurance. Paul DiCicco asked that he roll aside any stones that he encounters on the trail.

8:15 P.M.

**FISCHER** 

Robert Fischer

Notice of Intent PUBLIC HEARING 37 Sycamore Street

Vice-Chairman Ron Stead read legal ad.

#### Document used:

- Conservation Plan 37 Sycamore Street, Millbury, MA

Seth Lajoie of Seth Lajoie and Associates, Inc. was present on behalf of applicant. Vice-Chair Ron Stead noted that DEP had not yet issued a file number, thus the hearing would have to be continued, however the matter could be discussed at this time. Mr. Lajoie explained proposal to remove small portion of existing house and construct attached garage. Work proposed within 100' BZ to wetland, but beyond 50' BZ. Board reviewed proposal. Vice-Chair asked how much digging is proposed and was told by Mr. Lajoie, enough to get down to frost wall. Mr. Lajoie explained impervious area will be increased but amount of fill will not be significant and will not bring grade up on site. Back hoe/small excavator to be used & access will be from Sycamore St. Paul DiCicco asked if a large tree on site will be taken down. Don Scanlon, contractor, said homeowner never mentioned taking down the existing tree. The Commission determined proposal acceptable, however, cannot close the hearing this evening so suggested a continuance. The applicant agreed to a continuance.

Mathew Ashmankas motioned for continuance of the Notice of Intent to 7:15 P.M., September 5, 2012; seconded by Paul DiCicco; voted unanimously.

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8:30 P.M. **INFORMAL MEETING** 

In Roger Desrosiers' absence, Bill Kane of the Millbury Bicentennial Committee was present to speak with the Commission about proposing repairs to Backstrad Rd. He explained the road, currently quite rough & rutted, will be used in order to bus people to Pearson Farm for an upcoming war re-enactment. Mr. Kane said they are proposing to permanent asphalt patch the road only where necessary. Most of the road is outside of BA but approx 100' of the road passes through wetland resource area. Mr. Kane said, during work, they would use straw wattles for mitigation along both sides of the road near the wetlands. He expects work to be done in one day. Board discussed matter. Paul DiCicco noted this is a private roadway & asked if the Committee has permission to make repairs. Mr. Kane said Bob Pearson is to address this matter for the Committee. Vice-Chair Ron Stead explained the concern of the Con Com is that the wetland area is mitigated while work is being done. The board determined work as minor activity & agreed a filing is not required. Vice-Chair asked Mr. Kane to notify the Con Com when mitigation is in place & when work will begin.

SEWER COMM. **CERTIFICATE OF COMPLIANCE** 

The Conservation Commission was notified by Marie Cannon of AECOM that work at Grafton Street pump station) is done per OOC# 224-674 and requested a Certificate of Compliance.

A Certificate of Compliance was approved and issued.

**DUANE BURKE EXTENSION PERMIT** 

In a letter dated July 20, 2012 Duane Burke requested an extension permit from the Con. Com. with regards to OOC #224-601. TJuly he board voted unanimously to extend the OOC for three years.

An Extension Permit will be issued.

**ITEMS** 

INFORMATIONAL The Conservation Commission received the following:

- MACC Quarterly Newsletter - Summer 2012

The Conservation Commission received a copy of the Single Environmental Impact Report (SEIR) prepared by BSC Group on behalf of National Grid regarding MEPA review of their Interstate Reliability Project.

The Conservation Commission received a Forest Cutting Plan prepared by Christian Kruger for long-term forest management at (portion) 213 Burbank Road, Sutton.

The Conservation Commission received a copy of Certificate of Non-Compliance & Dam Safety Order from Dept. of Conservation & Recreation regarding Ramshorm Pond Dam.

The Conservation Commission received revised site plans from the Planning Board regarding 22 West Street, for review and comment.

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Mathew Ashmankas motioned to adjourn the meeting at 9:15 p.m.; seconded by Paul DiCicco; voted unanimously.

	Respectfully submitted,  Andrea Paquette  Secretary
Donald Flynn  Ronald & Stac  Ron Stead	Mathew Ashmankas  Paul DiCicco
Anthony Cameron	