

**MILLIS CONSERVATION COMMISSION
MEETING MINUTES
Room 206, Veterans Memorial Building, 900 Main St., Millis, MA
September 10, 2012**

The meeting was brought to order at 7:34 p.m. by Mr. Ed Chisholm, Acting Chair.

The following members were present:

Dr. James Lederer, Chair (arrived 7:48 pm)
Ed Chisholm, Acting Chair
Tim Chorey (appointed by BOS), Christine Gavin, Daniel Lee

Members Absent: Cara Krinsky
 Anne Rich

Others present: Jim McKay, Millis DPW
 Ellie Jarvis, 133 Farm St.
 Amanda Jarvis, 246 Pleasant St.
 JJ Pruner, 246 Pleasant St.
 Tony Jarvis, 133 Farm St.
 Greg Whelan, 64 Village St.
 Brian Smith, 11 Irving St.
 Wayne Carlson, Carlson Survey Co.

Request for Determination of Applicability, Public Hearing, 725 Main St.

The public hearing was opened at 7:34 p.m. with notice being read by Mr. Chisholm, Acting Chair.

Mr. Carlson, representing the Town of Millis, presented the application and photographs. Mr. Carlson stated that the existing industrial lot has frontage on Main Street, with public water and sewer. The parcel has an existing building at the northerly side line (Anne & Hope property). Mr. Carlson stated that there is a man-made drainage ditch adjacent to the main highway which channels stormwater away from the street. The Town would like a determination to see if the ditch/drainage is considered wetlands and falls under the jurisdiction of the Wetlands Protection Act, Mr. Carlson said.

Mr. Chisholm discussed the history of the property and “drainage ditch.” In his opinion, the water course is a stream that has been altered to accommodate the current development, and falls under the wetlands regulations.

As the Commission wished to discuss the application further, on a motion made by Mr. Lee, seconded by Ms. Gavin, it was voted unanimously at 7:42 p.m. to recess the public hearing to attend to other business and re-open the hearing.

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**#CE225-0369 - 246 Pleasant Street
Req. for Certificate of Compliance
Greg Whelan**

Mr. Whelan submitted a Request for Certificate of Compliance for the single home constructed at 246 Pleasant Street. He is selling and hoping to close on the property by the end of the week. Mr. Chisholm conducted a site visit on August 29, 2012. The Commission reviewed the Site Visit Report. Based on Mr. Chisholm's findings, the issuance of the Certificate of Compliance is recommended.

On a motion made by Mr. Chisholm, seconded by Mr. Lee, it was voted unanimously to approve and issue the Certificate of Compliance at 7:50 p.m.

(Note: Mr. Whelan was given the original and a copy of the Certificate of Compliance to take with him for the closing on the property.)

New Business:

**#CE225-0318 – 145 Farm Street
Informal Discussion re: As-built Plan
Tony Jarvis**

Mr. Jarvis stated that his project is complete and he is ready to file a Request for Certificate of Compliance. He had some questions regarding what was required to be shown on his as-built plan. The Commission requires that the elevations on the driveway and inverts of the pipe crossing under the driveway be shown on the as-built plan. No granite bounds are required on the property.

Mr. Jarvis will work on preparing the paperwork and plan for submittal.

Request for Determination of Applicability, Public Hearing, Cont., 725 Main St.

The public hearing continuation was opened at 8:10 p.m. with notice being read by Dr. Lederer, Chair.

There was discussion regarding "relocated waterways" and whether or not the 200 foot zone of no development adjacent to a river would apply. Mr. Chisholm stated that there is water flowing through the ditches. The Commission found that the plans presented by Mr. Carlson did not show enough detail as to the locations of the ditches/drainage being discussed. Mr. Carlson will revise the plan.

On a motion made by Mr. Chorey, seconded by Mr. Lee, it was voted unanimously at 8:47 p.m. to continue the public hearing to Monday, October 15, 2012, 8:00 p.m.

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Other Business:

39 Spencer Street – BOH Email

Scott Moles of the BOH had received a septic plan for 39 Spencer Street. He requested that a member of the Commission conduct a site visit with him as he had concerns regarding the leaching area's proximity to the bordering vegetated wetlands. Mr. Chisholm will coordinate and conduct a site visit with Mr. Moles.

(Note: Mr. Chisholm conducted a site visit and found the proposed septic system more than 100 feet from the wetlands. No ConCom action required.)

Payroll Signatories

On a motion made by Dr. James Lederer, seconded by Mr. Daniel Lee, the Conservation Commission unanimously voted, pursuant to MGL Chapter 41, Section 41, to authorize *either* James Lederer or Anne Rich to sign/approve payroll. It is understood that this provision does not eliminate the responsibility of the other members of the Board/Committee/Commission.

Minutes

On a motion made by Dr. Lederer, seconded by Ms. Gavin, the minutes from August 6, 2012, were unanimously approved as amended.

Scheduled Conservation Commission Meetings: October 15, 2012

There being no further business, on a motion made by Mr. Lee, seconded by Mr. Chisholm, and voted unanimously, the meeting adjourned at 9:10 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

*Camille Standley
Department Assistant*