

**MILLIS CONSERVATION COMMISSION
MEETING MINUTES
Room 206, Veterans Memorial Building, 900 Main St., Millis, MA
January 14, 2013**

The meeting was brought to order at 7:30 p.m. by Ms. Anne Rich, Vice Chair.

The following members were present:

Anne Rich, Ed Chisholm, Christine Gavin, Cara Krinsky, Daniel Lee

Members Absent: Dr. James Lederer
 Tim Chorey

Others present: Michael & Tina Giampietro, 12 Lawrence St., Milford
 Wayne Carlson, Carlson Survey, 261 Union St.
 Albert A. Anderson, 17 Dean St.

Public Hearing, Request for Determination of Applicability, 29 Acorn St.

Mr. Carlson, representing the applicants, Michael & Tina Giampietro, presented the application and plan. Mr. Carlson stated that the Giampietros purchased the property and eventually plan to build a new home. He described the site and stated there are currently three abandoned structures on the property, along with an old boat and other debris. The applicant is seeking permission to cut and chip small trees to safely demolish garage/structures and remove debris to clean up the site. The existing structure is not in the wetland, Mr. Carlson stated. The wetland line was flagged by Mr. Carlson and he stated that he understands a Notice of Intent will be required for future construction. Erosion controls are also proposed and shown on the plan, he said.

Mr. Giampietro stated that he is the Building Inspector for the Town of Millis and he recently purchased the property. He said that he is a Conservation Commission member for the Town of Milford and knows the regulations regarding sensitivity to the wetlands. Mr. Giampietro described what he would like to do and stated that he would prefer if he could do the work proposed while the ground is frozen. It is a sensitive area and he would not be able to do the work in the spring, he said. The work is in the buffer zone only, not in the wetlands. The erosion control barrier will be installed before any work is done, he said.

Mr. Chisholm stated that tree removal should be limited to only those necessary to accomplish the demolition and removal of debris. Mr. Lee stated that erosion control barriers must be in place, as shown on the plan, prior to the work being performed. The Commission will require the filing of a Notice of Intent for any future dwelling construction.

Mr. Chisholm will conduct a site visit with Mr. Carlson on 1/15/13 at 7:30 a.m. to view the site and wetland delineation.

There being no further discussion, on a motion made by Mr. Chisholm, seconded by Mr. Lee, it was voted unanimously to close the public hearing at 7:55 p.m.

On a motion made by Mr. Chisholm, seconded by Mr. Lee, it was voted unanimously to approve, with conditions, a Negative 3 Determination of Applicability.

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Requests for Certificates of Compliance

DEP File #'s 225-86 & 225-0245 - 17 Dean St.

Albert Anderson

Mr. Anderson presented two requests. One is for the construction of the single family dwelling; the other is for an addition to the home. He stated that he was not aware, until refinancing his home, that the Orders of Conditions were never released. He said that the builder never informed him of having to come back after the projects were completed; therefore, both Orders remain open.

The Commission reviewed the paperwork submitted. Mr. Anderson said that an as-built plan was never done after the addition. The Commission does require the submittal of an as-built plan. Mr. Anderson will provide an as-built plan prior to the next meeting on February 11, 2013.

Other Business:

1175 Main St. – Amendment Request Letter

FEMA Zoning Designation Change

The Commission reviewed the letter submitted by Silva Engineering Associates, P.C., dated December 7, 2012 (provided by Mr. Aspinwall). Mr. Chisholm stated that he reviewed the file on this location. The new FIRM/FEMA maps show the Zone A flood line through the property. The applicant is requesting an amendment to **NOT** be in the Zone A floodplain so they do not need the insurance.

Mr. Chisholm recommended that the Commission approve the amendment request. Ms. Rich, Vice Chair, signed the document on behalf of the Conservation Commission.

Village Street Property (Life Course)

Email Inquiry

The Commission was in receipt of an email from Sue Vara, representing the Town Fields Committee, dated 1/9/13. She inquired about the ConCom property on Village Street and the potential to build new recreation playing fields.

Ms. Rich stated that Cassidy and Verderber fields were purchased through “Self Help” funds from the State. The Commission is unsure how the Village Street property was acquired as it was a long time ago. The Commission suggested that Ms. Vara check with the Norfolk County Registry of Deeds to see how the land was obtained and if there are any restrictions. They can then come before the Commission with any proposals.

Minutes

On a motion made by Ms. Krinsky, seconded by Ms. Gavin, the minutes from December 10, 2012, were unanimously approved as written.

Scheduled Conservation Commission Meetings: February 11, 2013

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There being no further business, on a motion made by Ms. Krinsky, seconded by Mr. Chisholm, and voted unanimously, the meeting adjourned at 8:45 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

*Camille Standley
Department Assistant*